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## FRANCE MUST AID ITALY OR BRITAIN

### LAVAL'S POLICY DENOUNCED BUT BRITISH STAND EULOGISED

#### CRITICAL DEBATE IN PARIS CHAMBER

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Paris, Dec. 27.

There were tense scenes in the Chamber of Deputies to-day when the Prime Minister, M. Pierre Laval, attempted to defend his foreign policy and win a majority in the division which will decide the fate of his Government.

M. Leon Lebrun warmly attacked the Government's policy, but the Socialist leader was continually interrupted by Rightist members.

A Socialist at one point rose and shook his fist at the interrupters and the sitting was later temporarily suspended to enable M. Lebrun to recover from the effects of the strain and to make himself heard.

M. Leon Blum, a noted publisher-deputy, denounced M. Laval's policy, declaring there need be no risk of war if every country were firmly determined to stand by the League of Nations. He accused M. Laval of creating an atmosphere of war menace and concluded, amid prolonged cheers from the Left, demanding M. Laval's overthrow.

There was another remarkable scene at the conclusion of a speech by M. Paul Reynaud, who is a member of the Centre group, and who eulogised Great Britain and denounced M. Laval's diplomacy. His declaration that France must choose between Italy, an aggressor, and Britain, a defender of the League Covenant, was cheered by nearly two-thirds of the House, from the extreme Left to the Right Centre.

Some observers in the lobbies described the speech as "a burial service" for the Government. But others, while anticipating that the Government's majority will be much reduced, expect that M. Laval can still muster twenty to thirty more votes than the Opposition.

#### VOTING TO-DAY

Party leaders have agreed that the vote on the critical two day's foreign affairs debate will not be taken before 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

M. Lebrun, the Socialist leader, opened the interpellations in the Chamber, speaking for an hour and there were other prominent men, including M. Reynaud, who attacked the Government in lengthy addresses.

The latest canvass of the position indicates that M. Laval will have a majority of forty in the division.

#### NO GREAT IMPRESSION

M. Laval's own speech made no visible impression upon the Chamber.

It was received by clapping on the front Right, as was expected, but the remainder of the Chamber sat impassive.

Some political quarters called the address very weak, but others maintained it was a set speech and that not until the closing of the debate would the Prime Minister make any rousing appeal to the Chamber.—*Reuter and Reuter Special.*

### No Reprieve Likely

#### HAUPTMANN'S ONE CHANCE FOR LIFE

Trenton, N.J., Dec. 27.  
Governor Hoffman of New Jersey to-day said he believed he was technically powerless to reprieve Bruno Hauptmann, sentenced to die for the murder of the infant son of Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh. Should the Court of Pardons refuse Hauptmann clemency, the Governor said, he could do nothing, for although reprieves had been granted in recent years the Constitution limited his power to reprieve to a period of ninety days after conviction.—*Reuter.*

### TO FIGHT BESIDE BRITAIN

#### LAVAL'S PROMISE TO DEPUTIES

#### EDEN NO MORE AN OGRE

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Paris, Dec. 27.

M. Pierre Laval, the Prime Minister of France, in the course of the critical debate on foreign policy in the Chamber of Deputies to-day, declared that it was his undertaking that France would fight beside Great Britain in the event of an attack by Italy.

The Prime Minister maintained that France under his leadership had fully carried out all her League of Nations obligations.

He defended the Franco-British peace proposals, now defunct, as necessary. He said they were a means of calming the Anglo-French atmosphere at least.

He appealed for a vote of confidence by the Deputies.—*United Press.*

#### LESS FEAR OF EDEN

Rome, Dec. 27.  
Public opinion has suddenly changed. Officials believe that the appointment of Mr. Anthony Eden as British Foreign Minister is no barrier to a favourable settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute.

It is rather thought that the new minister's heavy responsibilities will result in cautious actions on his part.—*United Press.*

#### FURTHER SUPPORT

London, Dec. 27.  
The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, who is in the country, is not expected back at the Foreign Office, with which he remains in continuous touch, before next week.

It is not anticipated in London that any important developments in connection with the international situation will occur within the next week or two.

It is understood the Governments of Jugo-Slavia, Greece and Turkey have replied to enquiries addressed to them regarding their willingness to implement their obligations under Article 18 of the Covenant in the event of an unprovoked attack on



Picture shows an Ethiopian outpost, from which the defenders keep watch on Italian troop movements.

### CHINESE ART STILL POPULAR

#### EXHIBITS DRAW BIG CROWDS

#### 78,540 PAYING VISITORS

London, Dec. 27.

Despite rival attractions, Christmas shopping, pantomimes and obstruction caused by fog and frost, the Chinese Art Exhibition remains a powerful magnet.

During the first three completed weeks of the Exhibition, there have been 78,540 paying visitors, this being a record for national art exhibitions. On Christmas Eve, when very few visitors were expected, there were actually 1,337 paying for admission, with 2,091 on Boxing Day.

No fewer than 21,000 tickets have already been sold to school children visiting the Exhibition in parties, as well as ten thousand to various societies and associations.

The pre-Christian bronzes, Sung porcelain and Tang statuettes remain most popular, but public appreciation of the paintings, the unfamiliar style of which at first somewhat puzzled the visitors, is evidently increasing.

Tickets for six additional lectures on Chinese art during the New Year are being quickly sold out.—*Reuter.*

### MacDonald's Chance

#### UNIVERSITIES' SEAT LEFT VACANT

London, Dec. 27.

Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald, former Premier of the National Government, has agreed to contest, as a National Government candidate, the Scottish Universities' seat in the House of Commons rendered vacant by the death of the former Conservative M.P., Mr. Noel Skelton.

The decision was reached following an invitation from the Association of Unionist Graduates of the four Universities concerned.

At the recent General Election, Mr. MacDonald was defeated at Seaham by Mr. E. Shinwell, former Minister of Mines in the last Labour Government, who secured a majority of over 20,000.—*Reuter.*

Great Britain as one of the Covenant enforcing states.

Enquiries of a similar kind were made in Paris some time ago and the French Government sent a note affirming its intention to stand by its League obligations. What is in question, as has been pointed out, is the individual reaffirmation of the resolution adopted by fifty nations represented on the League Co-ordination Committee last October when they declared their loyalty to these provisions of the Covenant.—*British Wireless.*

### RUSSIA FOSTERS REVOLT

#### URUGUAY BREAKS OFF RELATIONS

#### AMBASSADOR EXPULSED

(Special to "Telegraph")

Montevideo, Dec. 27.  
Uruguay has broken off diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia.

The Cabinet took this decision after a long sitting to-day. It was stated that a headquarters of a Communist organisation had been established in Uruguay, sponsored by the Soviet Government. This headquarters, when raided by police, provided documents proving that a revolution had been planned by disruptive elements to take place within two or three months.

The breaking off of relations includes the cancellation of a number of huge commercial contracts, one of which is for cheese which heretofore has been supplied to Uruguay almost exclusively by Russia.—*Reuter Special.*

**STUDENTS LEAP  
FROM TRAIN**  
Thirty Injured In  
Reckless Dive

Shanghai, Dec. 28.  
It is now revealed that a group of student demonstrators, refusing to return to Shanghai when ordered to do so by the Government, jumped off the train proceeding to Wushih, when it reached a railway bridge. As a result, thirty of the students were injured, four seriously.—*Reuter.*

It is not yet known whether the bombers' expedition was successful.—*Reuter.*

**Nationalist  
Fever**  
EVEN CIGARS MUST  
BE PATRIOTIC

### BOMBERS ATTACK VOLCANO

#### SEEKING TO CHECK LAVA FLOW

#### STRANGE WAR IN HAWAII

Hilo, Dec. 27.  
One of the weirdest wars in history was declared to-day when United States bombing planes set about the fierce old gods of Maunaloa, the active volcano near here.

The volcano erupted last month and sent a stream of lava over its western lip to threaten peasants and villagers in the valleys below. A cloud of smoke and steam envelopes the peak of Maunaloa, but the thunder of the disturbances in its depths periodically shakes the islanders' homes.

One of the bombing planes dropped 600 bombs upon the lava stream, which had advanced to within four miles of Hilo's water reservoirs and other machines flew over the mountain's crater, dropping hundreds of pounds of explosives, in the hope that they might block the vent and force the lava to flow out at some other point.

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EVEN CIGARS MUST  
BE PATRIOTIC

(Special to "Telegraph")

Rome, Dec. 27.  
All foreign names at present used for Italian products of the State Tobacco Monopoly will be changed to Italian after January 1.

Cigars previously called "Londres" will be named "Fire." British cigars will become "Siam" whilst the brand hitherto named "Tabacos" will be altered to "Makale."

Some cigarettes whose names are foreign, with a sanctionist smack, will be re-named. Thus "Kentucky" and "Sport" will become "Tigris" and "Siaris" respectively.—*Reuter Special.*

#### LOCAL DOLLAR ADVANCES

Market Steady  
TO-DAY

The Hongkong dollar rose 1/4th to 1s. 3 1/2d. this morning. The business rate was 1s. 3 1/2d. sellers and 1s. 3 1/4d. buyers. The market was steady at these rates.

#### CANADA-JAPAN TRADE

**SURTAXES BEING  
REMOVED**

Ottawa, Dec. 27.  
It is officially announced that Canada and Japan are both removing mutually retaliatory surtaxes on certain of each others' products, as from January 1.

This will terminate the trade dispute between the two countries which has lasted since last July.—*Reuter.*

**TREASURY BILLS**  
London, Dec. 27.  
The total amount applied for in tenders for £25,000,000 Treasury bills was £21,515,000. The average rate per cent for bills at three months was 11/8.00d. against 16/8.70d. a week ago.—*British Wireless.*

### HEAVY FIGHTING ON TAKKAZZE

### BADOGGIO ADMITS SEVERE LOSSES

#### STRUGGLE FOR HIGH MOUNTAIN PASS

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Rome, Dec. 27.

There has been a severe engagement near the Asgaga Pass in the high mountains along the Takkazze River where the Ethiopians recently drove the Italians for twelve miles on a long front, capturing many of the little concrete block forts and machine-guns and inflicting heavy casualties.

An official Italian communique now announces the results of another engagement on this embattled sector where, since the Ethiopian army succeeded in crossing the Takkazze River, the Italians have been hard pressed.

It was during a reconnaissance near Asgaga Pass that the Italians fell in with a strong body of the Ethiopians and an engagement lasting some hours was joined.

The Italian losses are officially stated to have been six Italian and three Eritrean soldiers killed, four Italian officers killed, nine Italians and 37 Eritreans wounded.

The Ethiopian losses are merely reported in Marshal Badoglio's daily despatch as being "heavy."

These are the worst casualties in any single engagement to which the Italian command has thus far admitted.—*Reuter Special.*

### ETHIOPIA REVEALS HER TERMS

#### ITALIAN ARMIES MUST WITHDRAW

#### INDEMNITY DEMANDED

Addis Ababa, Dec. 27.  
The terms upon which the Emperor of Ethiopia is prepared to accept a peace with Italy were revealed to Reuter's special correspondent in this city from semi-official sources to-day for the first time.

First, Ethiopia insists that all Italian troops shall be withdrawn from Ethiopian territory.

Secondly, Ethiopia demands that Italy should pay an indemnity upon recognition as a sovereign state by the powers.

Fourthly, Ethiopia maintains that the delimitation of her frontiers by an international commission appointed by the League is essential.

Fifthly, Ethiopia requests the right to seek foreign advice and assistance in economic and financial administrative spheres, but adds that no Italian advisers will be accepted.

Although the indemnity demand might be waived, it is pointed out that the Emperor is determined that nothing short of complete defeat would cause him to weaken on his other terms.—*Reuter.*

#### NO NEW TAX LEGISLATION

#### SPEAKER OF HOUSE LOOKS AHEAD

(Special to "Telegraph")

Washington, Dec. 27.  
Mr. Joseph E. Byrnes, Speaker of the House of Representatives, to-day expressed the opinion that President Roosevelt would personally speak to Congress on January 3 or 4 and discuss the budget.

He indicated that he expects no new tax legislation at the coming session.—*United Press.*

#### ETHIOPIAN VICTORY

Addis Ababa, Dec. 27.  
Troops under the command of Dedjematch Hailew Kadane, attacking with high courage, drove the Italian outposts from their positions on the Makar Road, on the Tembien front in a recent engagement.

According to a Government announcement the Ethiopians captured eleven machine-guns and a quantity of rifles and ammunition.—*Reuter.*

#### CHRISTMAS LULL

Rome, Dec. 27.  
The Christmas lull on "the home front" is expected to continue into the New Year. No diplomatic activities are expected.

Sir Eric Drummond, the British Ambassador to Rome, leaves for England to-morrow on a "three weeks' holiday which this much-worked diplomat well deserves.

His vacation is taken to indicate that there will be no new development in the Italo-Ethiopian situation for the time-being, and the Italian attitude appears to be one of marking-time and waiting to see what Mr. Anthony Eden, the new Foreign Minister, will do in his high post.

It is probable that Mr. Eden requires Sir Eric Drummond in London to discuss the European situation and the Italian attitude in particular.—*Reuter Special.*

#### FATAL MOTOR MISHAP

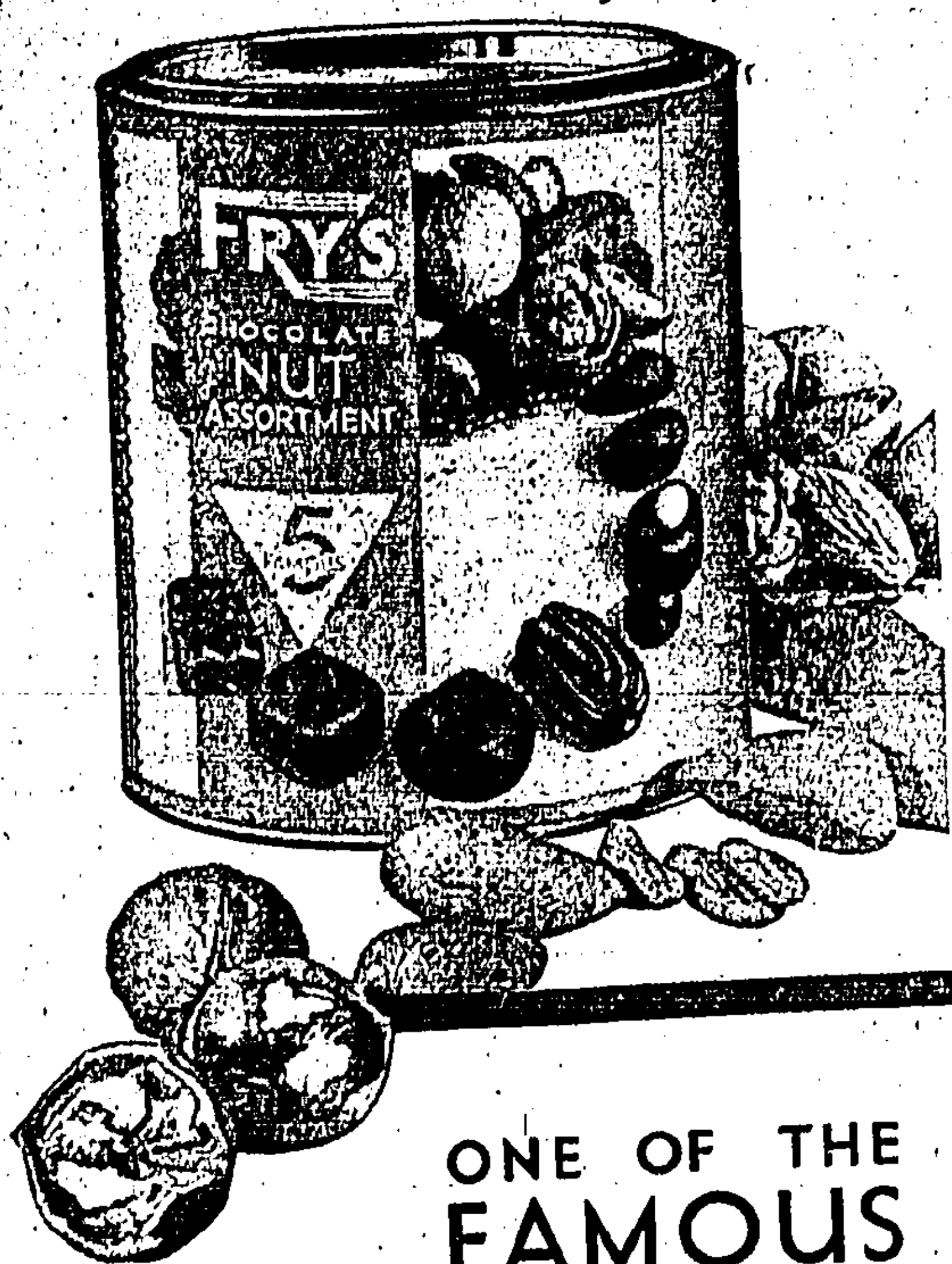
#### PRISON WARDER INVOLVED

An elderly coolie, Hon Wing of Tung Choi Street, died yesterday in Government Civil Hospital following injuries received when he was knocked down by a car driven by Mr. G. J. Grinley, warder of Lanchow Prison, the previous day.

Mr. Grinley was driving along Nathan Road towards Lanchow Prison shortly after 1 p.m. when the man jog-trotted out of Sol Street carrying a wooden crate on his head which must have blinded him to the approach of the car. The driver swerved in an unsuccessful attempt to avoid a collision.

Local estate valued at \$10,000 was left by Mr. Li Hon-cho, throb, late of 97 Tung Choi Street, Mongkok, who died in March this year at Fong Pin Hospital, Canton. Probate of the will has been granted to Li Tai-wa, Li Leung-wa and Li Chol.





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## London Girl Is Santiago's Beauty Queen.

Eighteen-year-old Marjorie Earey, whose home town is Chiswick, London, has been chosen Queen of Spring in Providencia, Santiago, in competition with fourteen scoristas. She is the first foreign-born girl to be so chosen.

900,000 VOTES

Altogether 900,000 votes were cast. Miss Earey, with a total poll of 237,000, had a majority of more than 100,000 over her nearest rival, Reuter says.

She was chosen because of her "surpassing beauty of the quiet, English type."

Marjorie's father is a manufacturing chemist in Santiago, and Marjorie is his accountant. "The most efficient I have ever had," he says.

Marjorie says: "My election is a triumph for London. We are just a London family planted in Chili. We belong to Chiswick."

## REAL PAINLESS DENTISTRY AT LAST

HAS painless dentistry really arrived?

Dr. Leroy Hartman, Professor of Dentistry at the University of Columbia, stated recently that a liquid has been discovered which, when applied to the surface of teeth, makes them insensitive to dentists' drills.

He added (according to United Press) "It will revolutionise the practice of dentistry."

The present practice, in eliminating pain in tooth filling, is to inject novocaine or other local anesthetic before drilling begins.

## Rich For An Hour

### FORTUNE THAT DWINDLED £833 EVERY MINUTE

Mr. Michael Paine, a Bristol business man, was recently insured against death for £50,000—but only for one hour, while he was at a luncheon in Bristol.

The policy was a gift to Mr. Paine from a few friends whom he entertained to a luncheon to mark his fiftieth birthday.

The first person to congratulate him on surviving the period of the policy was Mr. Morley Cooper, a Bristol insurance broker, who effected the policy with Lloyd's.

## MONARCH WHO LIVES ON 4s. A WEEK

Lausanne, Dec. 24.

**KING ANANDA I. OF SIAM**, ten-year-old monarch whose kingdom abounds in riches, gets two shillings and sevenpence a week. King Ananda's sister, Princess Galyani, aged twelve, gets three shillings and tenpence.

The young king knows nothing of the golden pageantry awaiting him in Siam, nor does he care. He continues to lead the simple schoolboy life of a middle-class family.



KING ANANDA  
"Chuff, chuff, chuff, clank, clank, screech."

"I don't like school," he confided. "I would much prefer to be a steam-engine driver."

He then gave a good imitation of the noise of a locomotive, the bumping of railway coaches, and the sound of brakes. "Chuff, chuff, clank, clank, screech," exclaimed King Ananda happily.

"I spend my money on models of steam engines and motor-cars," he said, "but there is homework to do after school, and special gymnasiums, too. I do not know whether I want to go to Siam to be crowned."

The King's favourite is Tommy, a spotted Alredale, who accompanies his royal master to school at eight o'clock in the morning. Tommy lives with King Ananda at Villa Vadhana, one of a long row of simple houses near Lausanne, overlooking the Lake and snow-capped mountains.

Princess Sangwal Mahidol, the King's beautiful young widow mother, speaking in perfect English, said Ananda was going skiing soon, and skating, too.

"He is still in delicate health," she said, "although he is better than he was. But he is not yet sufficiently strong to go to Siam for the coronation ceremony. If he goes it will be a year from now."

[The boy Ananda was proclaimed King by the Siamese National Assembly on March 6, 1935, when the abdication of his uncle, King Prajadhipok was approved. King Prajadhipok bought Hangmoor, Virginia-Water, after his abdication, declaring his intention to live in England in the future.]

## "I AM NEVER HAPPY WITH THE NAME 'CONSERVATIVE'"

—Says Sir A. Chamberlain

Sir Austen Chamberlain, at Oxford recently said that he was never happy with the name "Conservative."

"I do not care whether you call me Tory or Radical," he said. "I find a great affinity between the two, and I am meaning the Radicalism of my youth."

"Our continued success, the success of the principles for which we stand, depends on our being able, by slow degrees, to weld together these apparently discordant elements which have co-



Photo—shows a Greek family which went to Athens to greet the returning King of the Hellenes.

## Air Robots' Pranks Are Menace To Piloted 'Planes

Pilots at Home have been warned by the Air Ministry to keep well away from Queen Bees—the wireless-controlled airplanes that have just appeared in the sky.

## SYDNEY IS GOING ALL MARRIED

The return of prosperity to Australia has given great impetus to weddings.

Sydney, with a population of million and a quarter, is becoming married at the rate of more than a thousand couples a month, a figure far in excess of that for many years, says *Austral News*.

The birth rate there is now 14.58 a thousand of population and the death rate 10.87 a thousand.

Queen Bees, they are told, are liable to do strange things without warning.

These machines are easily distinguishable by the yellow paint which covers their top wings, the undersides of the wing tips, and both sides of the tail planes.

Queen Bees can be kept under control by wireless within a ten-mile radius.

### NOT FAST ENOUGH

The present Queen Bee is the De Havilland Dplane type, with covered-in cockpit containing the radio controlling apparatus.

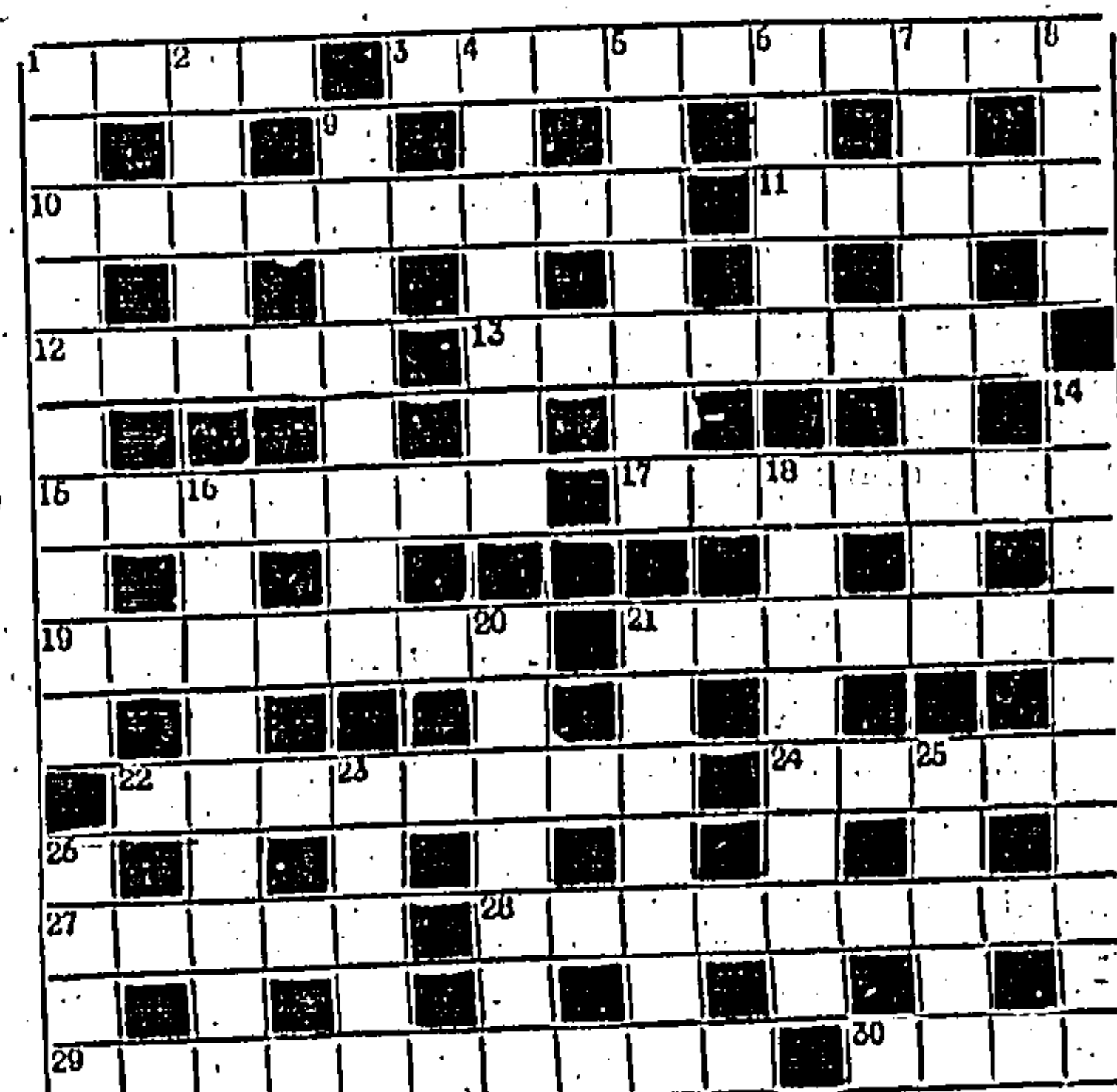
It is understood, however, that the Air Ministry is considering the cheaper and faster Miles Hawk monoplane as a potential Queen Bee.

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- F298. **NICKEL IN THE SLOT.** F. T. Wingy Mannone & His Orcha.
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- 13 Brought on in a low dog with a good colour.
- 15 Reversing for support.
- 17 Form of "crime do" pervaded animals (anag.).
- 19 What spongers sometimes did that was rather silly.
- 21 You will see these in Siam: me, too.
- 22 Have a good feed: so long.
- 24 Comes before the others with a letter in its hand held tightly.
- 27 Makes an A.I. hit in the West Indies.
- 28 Great Nero (anag.).
- 29 Just the place to hide the screw in.
- 30 Everybody's enemies.

### DOWN

- 1 Study the acknowledgment and give.
- 2 Eastern lady.
- 4 Sense in a sense.
- 6 Tempted with a cold heart.
- 6 To a German always spells the end of a swimmer.
- 7 One of a predatory tribe in the Bible.

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## FOREST FIRE RAGING

**MILLION DOLLAR BLAZE ON TABLE MOUNTAIN**

Capetown, Dec. 27.  
A million dollar fire is sweeping

Table Mountain and has already destroyed over 1,500 acres of pine trees valued at £250,000.

It is expected that it will be at least a week before the fire is brought under control despite the fact that 300 soldiers are assisting the forest fire rangers in fighting the blaze.—United Press.

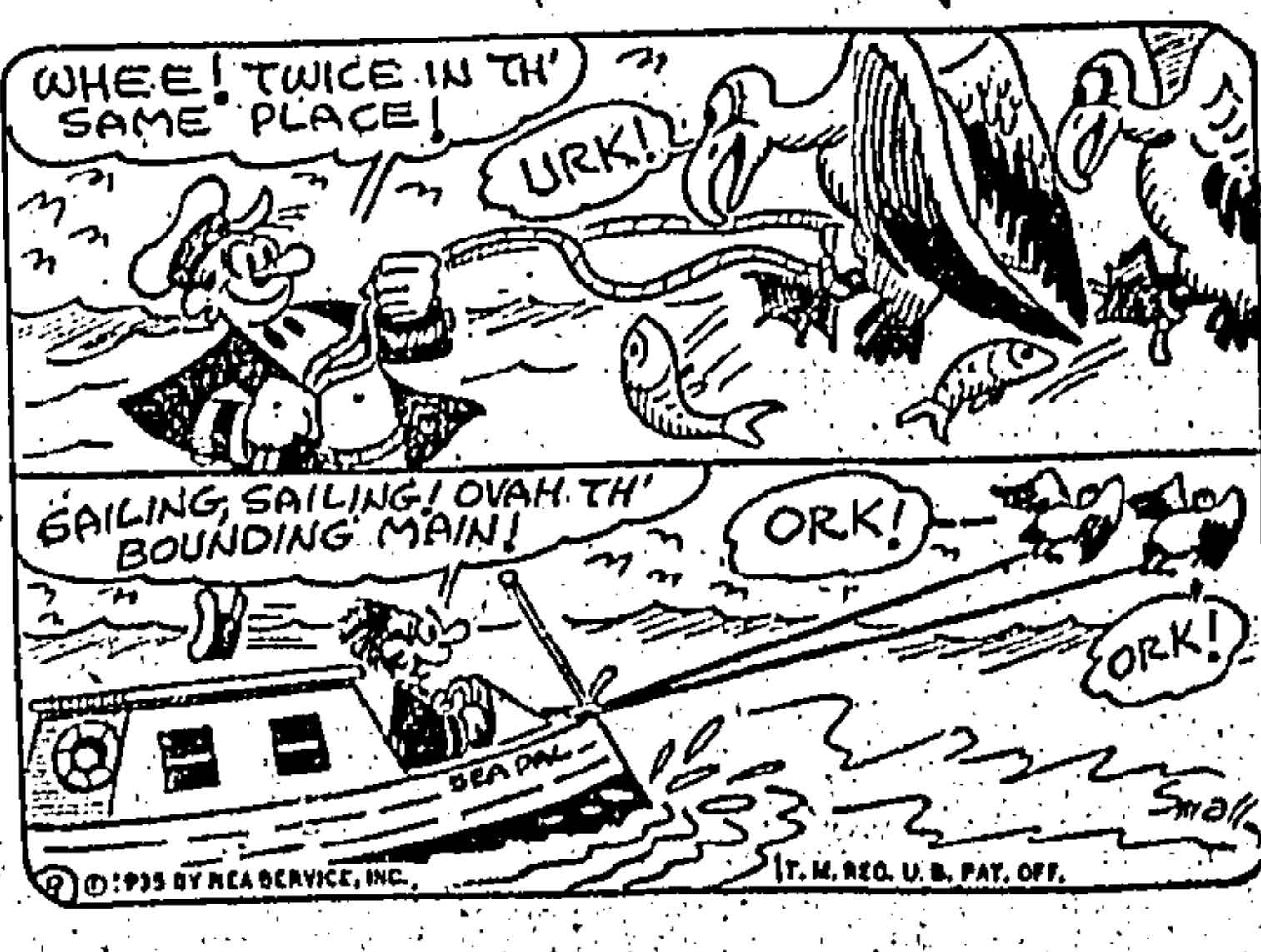
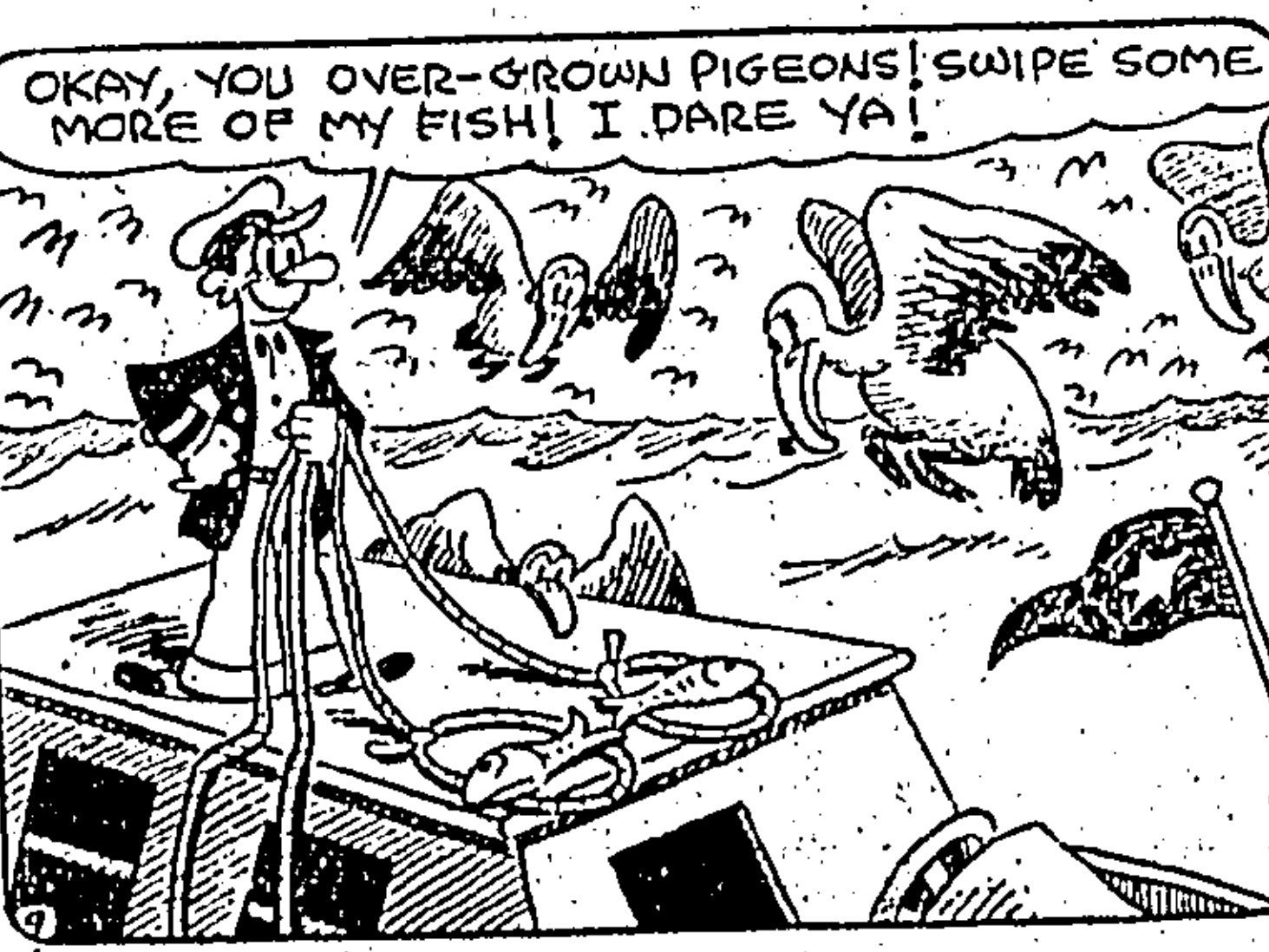
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# ENTERTAINMENT

## PORTS MOUTH'S LOSS, OUR GAIN . . . . .

### Filip For The Philharmonic

THE Hongkong Philharmonic Society have been busy, in a quiet sort of way, preparing for the forthcoming production of "The Country Girl." Visitors are not encouraged at the rehearsals at the Queen's Theatre, but I managed to sneak in the other day. What follows is the result of chats with some of the people I encountered, and of personal observation.

FIRST thing, you're going to like this one much better than past efforts. Hongkong's Philharmonic has been unhappy in recent years through lack of money, not-too-good choice of plays, and paucity of good actors and actresses. When, less than six months ago, it lost two of its best players, Mrs. Bowes Smith and Mrs. Snowden Jones—both coincidentally enough, departed for Home following deaths of their husbands—outlook for 1936 looked even blacker.

BUT a change has come over the scene, and far from being a paucity of talent, there seems to be a surplus. As a result, there is much more vigour at rehearsals. Even at this early stage, things are going with a swing. New brooms are sweeping clean.

GREATEST good fortune has been acquisition of Anne Winter (Mrs. Bernard Marsh) comparatively new arrival in Colony, who possesses a remarkable soprano voice. She is taking the role of the Princess.



Anne Winter as "Sophia" in "Tom Jones", a role she triumphantly filled with the Portsmouth Players.

Hongkong people who came from Portsmouth will know her as an old favourite. In amateur stage circles. She played leading roles in several Portsmouth Players' productions. Coincidence No. 2: Her last leading role was in "Merrie England," produced in Portsmouth by Lt. Cdr. Bedell. It was Cdr. Bedell who produced this popular play for Hongkong Philharmonic during his stay in Colony.

ANOTHER acquisition that is going to help the Philharmonic tremendously is that of Winnie Lawson, who plays the title role. Third stellar debut of consequence is that being made by Bobbie Blake, who is no stranger to amateur dramatics and philharmonics, coming here with excellent English reputation which, judging from personal observation, will certainly be sustained after her initial appearance in leading role. Actually, Miss Blake is no stranger to Philharmonic activities, as she was in the "Hawthorn" chorus last year. Takes role of Sophie in "Country Girl."

TURNING now to the old hands, we have Nina Valentine, who will be remembered chiefly for her characterisation of Phoebe in "Woman of the Galleys," played in 1929. Mrs. F. T. Portallion is also one of the "big shots" of that pick of the Philharmonic productions.

NOW for the men. Best acquisition undoubtedly is Jack Grenham, well known in local theatricals, but making his debut with the Philharmonic. He is going to be, in my opinion, the mainstay of the male. Plays comedy lead and, with Walter Gill, also excellent, supplies most of the humour, much of which has been localised. C. W. E. Bishop, who takes chief male role, is also a good acquisition with pleasing voice, while another new hand, L. A. Jordan, is outstanding in role of "Rajah of Bhong."

Worthy of mention among the men are H. M. Cackle, C. Dudley Bartlett, and H. J. How. Latter is also Secretary of the Philharmonic, a task that is keeping him fully occupied apart from his stage rehearsals these days.

A WORD for the people who are doing all the work off-stage. Production is in the hands of the Rev. Cyril Brown, whose task is a heavy one, fortunately rendered somewhat light by the trained material in his hands. He is also making a debut with the Philharmonic. A. B. Yale, Bandmaster of the 2nd East Lancs Regiment, will wield the orchestral baton, scenery (always good, but much better than in previous years, is in hands of T. V. Harmon, and lighting in hands of R. C. Butler.

THIRD coincidence—interesting one, this. "Country Girl" was written by Adrian Ross. But that is only a pseudonym. The composer's real name was Adrian Ross. A son, Lt. John Ross, of the Royal Artillery, is now in Hongkong, attached to local station. Unfortunately he will not be here to see local production (January 15, 16, 18 and 2.30 p.m. matinee on January 18), as he leaves for Home first week in January.

## Elissa Landi Loses Her "Dearest Friend"

Countess Zanardi Landi, the 53-year-old mother of Miss Elissa Landi, the British film actress, has died suddenly in Hollywood.

Miss Landi was in England at the time.

She went to London to act opposite Douglas Fairbanks junior in "The Amateur Gentleman" and completed her part in the Elstree production the day before her mother died.

A newspaper representative spoke to Miss Landi at her London hotel: "I have lost my dearest friend," she said.

Some years ago the Countess published a book entitled "The Secret of an Empress." In it she claimed to be the youngest child of the Empress Elizabeth, consort of Francis Joseph of Austria, but explained that because of the wish of the Empress to keep one of her children to herself, her birth was kept secret, and she was brought up away from the Court.

Her book was published during the Great War, and on this account did not attract so much attention as it otherwise might have done.

## Cinema Chat

### THE STAR YOU VOTED NUMBER 1 IS COMING TO HONGKONG

GOOD news for film fans, and especially for admirers of Ginger Rogers.

Popular RKO-Radio star has intimated, in letter to Shanghai office, that her oft-delayed trip to Far East is likely to mature in the near future.

If nothing happens to mar present plans, she will leave Hollywood for Honolulu, Shanghai and Hongkong late March, arriving here early May.

She is keen to meet the hundreds of Hongkong admirers who, earlier this year, voted her the most popular screen star.

Hubby Lew Ayres will accompany her, and Hongkong will be chief port of call, stay-over, if any, being made here.

Since readers of morning contemporary voted Ginger their No. 1 favourite by overwhelming majority in February this year, she has become even more popular with local fans. Two outstanding films "Gay Divorcee" and "Roberta" considerably enhancing her reputation.

Now we are about to see film that is said to top all previous work by Astaire-Rogers combination.

Good business tactics by Mr. C. Rossetti, Managing Director, has given the Alhambra theatre this scoop for the mainland, and, as result, the two principal island theatres are going to find it difficult to find a rival picture of equal pulling power for the best day of the year—Chinese New Year.

The picture is "Top Hat." It will be released at the Alhambra on Chinese New Year's Eve—January 25.

NOW and again the Alhambra do big things like this and as a result, I can see considerable rivalry developing between the two sides of the harbour. Lots of people say the Alhambra is before its time, but watch how the people will flock to "Top Hat." "Lives of a Bengal Lancer" also had its premiere at this theatre and the result was capacity houses for every performance.

Speaking of Fred Astaire. An American dance band advertisement that it plays "melodies that bring out the Astaire in you" . . .

Switchback to Ginger Rogers. To all you admirers, a tip. Not to be missed, even for a second viewing, is "Star of Midnight," scheduled at the Star Theatre to-morrow. Ginger, you'll remember if you saw it at the King's a month or so back, plays opposite William Powell. They are as ideal a combination as were Powell and Myrna Loy in "Thin Man." Make this your No. 1 choice for Sunday.

The Shirley Temple cycle hasn't ended yet. Yet another of them is booked to make Hongkong premiere at the Alhambra to-morrow. The little Big Shot is Sybil Jason, who hails from Capetown. If you like in Temple you'll like in Jason, because she's a brunette edition of her famous blonde contemporary.

Burns and Allen "gag" Burns: Oh, how your mouth. Grace Allen: What, and get bitten?



STAR OF THE WEEK NO. 1. Appearing in film "Alice Adams" at King's to-morrow is Katherine Hepburn, one of the screen's real actresses.

She has never given a better performance, and by sheer force of personality, rises 'way above the story and balance of cast.

An actress who can make us wiggle uncomfortably in our seats when she portrays a girl's indiscretions has something that not too many of the screen's idols possess. "Little Women" was her last success.

## How You Can Celebrate On Tuesday

### PLENTY OF GAIETY FOR N.Y. EVE

BEFORE you go first-footing on Tuesday night, there are a dozen and one places where you can get that mellow feeling so necessary in these modern times to suitably greet a New Year.

More money is being spent in gaiety in Hongkong this season than for some time past, so everyone who caters for your entertainment is making a supreme bid for your patronage.

Elsewhere on this page you'll read of a fairly imposing line-up of films for the more sober-minded.

Dancing, however, is going to draw the largest crowds. Real Carnival is in the air on this eve of the New Year.

Old friends, Cowan and Bailey and Ted and Evelyn (not forgetting Mistress of Ceremonies Estelle Davies) are waiting to greet you at both the Hongkong and Peninsula Hotels, which advertise Dinner Dance Carnivals until 3 a.m. on January 1. Out at Regulus Bay, where the crowd won't be so noisy and boisterous, Albert Houdi, of the Magicians' Club in London, is billed as the attraction between dances.

The Gloucester Hotel, always sure of its quota of patrons, relies upon an excellent Chef as the chief attraction for its Carnival Dinner Dance, also billed to last until the small wee hours.

Most people finish up their celebrations over Kowloon side, where they can be lured to either K.C.C. or China Light and Power Club, both holding Plain and Fancy Carnivals. Former usually finishes 3 a.m.-ish, latter when you want to. Most people go to one, finish at other.

Startlingly large number of Hongkong people prove that they are not entirely irreverent by slipping into Church just about midnight, and you usually find packed congregations in hybrid dress—ranging from dinner jacket to ridiculous—depending on whether you're in fancy or not.

Oh, yes, and then there's "First Footings." An old Scottish custom. If you're a brunette, they'll welcome you with open arms, because dark people are lucky. Scottish gentlemen don't prefer blondes—until a brunette has crossed the threshold. Olden days it was customary to hold a lump of coal and a potato in your hand as you crossed the threshold—idea being that you'd bring heat and food for the rest of the year. In these modern times it's more customary to take a bottle of whisky, idea being, apparently, that you get the same effects.

## A Minute £66 For The Quins

A Cheque for £10,000 has been paid into the bank account of the Dionne Quintuplets at Callander, Ontario.

It is payment for their services in the film of their life which Twentieth Century Films are to make.



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## King Peter Sends for Sam



KING PETER, the twelve-year-old sovereign of Yugo-Slavia, has sent to London for "Sam," the hero of the recently completed British coloured film cartoon, "Sam and His Muskets."

The "command" came straight from the Royal Palace at Belgrade, and the producers, Anglia Films Ltd., immediately dispatched a copy of the film.

It will form part of a programme of the best in films which his Majesty sees once a week. This is merely one of the facts which prove that British colour film cartoons have made enormous strides towards perfection, and that they promise to become rivals to Walt Disney.

## MAKE-UP HINTS

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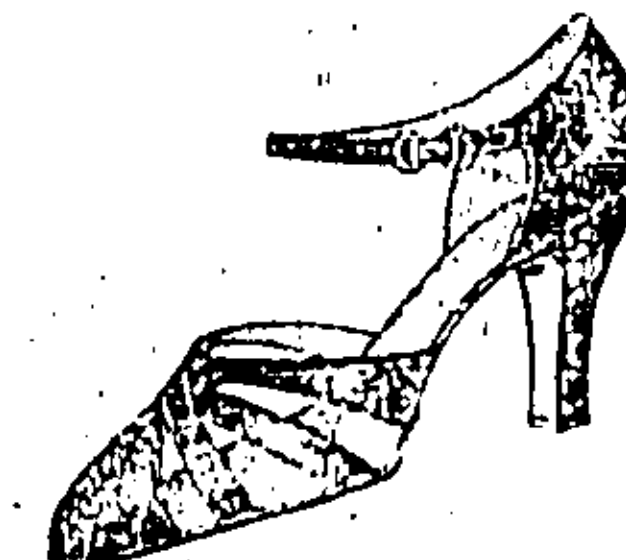
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## THESE KIDDIES STOLE THE GLORY



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## Dialling Daventry

### EMPIRE STATION WILL BRING IN THE NEW YEAR

On New Year's Eve Daventry will convey messages of goodwill from all parts of the British Isles to those overseas.

The birth of the year is a time for memories, so an effort will be made to try to revive memories of people and places long since forgotten.

Songs and laughter, music and pealing bells will form the background of a programme which the B.B.C. producers have called "A Good New Year to One and All."

This programme may be heard at the following times on New Year's Day:

Transmission 1 at 4.30 p.m. H.K.T.;  
Transmission 2 at 10.30 a.m. H.K.T.;  
Transmission 3 at 11 a.m. H.K.T.  
For years past it has been usual on New Year's Eve for the B.B.C. to broadcast a retrospect of the previous

twelve months. On Wednesday however, a new experiment will be attempted when programme entitled "Chimes at Midnight" will be broadcast. It will be directed mainly to the "stay-at-home" listener who prefers the quiet of his fireside or a corner of the verandah to the boisterous merry-making of his fellows.

The programme will start at 7 a.m. Thursday H.K.T., with selections of prose, poetry, and music, suitable for the last hour of the year. These will be followed by a Watchnight Service from St. Paul's Cathedral, London. When Big Ben has sounded midnight (8 a.m. H.K.T.) the programme will turn to actuality shots of New Year scenes in London, Berwick-on-Tweed, and Edinburgh.







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### RADIO BROADCAST

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Nocturne in F Minor, Chopin; 3. Songs: "Songs of Travel" (a) The Vagabond, Vaughan Williams; (b) Bright is the Ring of Words, Vaughan Williams; (c) The Roadside Fire, Vaughan Williams.

9.25-9.45 p.m. "Pomp and Circumstance" March No. 4 in G (Elgar). 9.45-10 p.m. From the Studio. A Recital by Elsa Alves (Soprano) accompanied by Fred Alves.

Programme.

1. Estrellita Ponce; 2. Homing Del Rio; 3. Lullaby Scott; 4. Caro Nome ("Rigoletto") Verdi. 9.20-9.25 p.m. "Carmen Sylva" Waltz (Ivanovic).

9.25-9.45 p.m. From the Studio. "Peter Simple in Peking." 9.45-10 p.m. The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

Faust—Ballet Music (Gounod); Lynwood March (Hume); Prairie Flower—March (Hume).

10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletins.

10.05-10.30 p.m. Dance Music. 10.30 p.m. Close Down.

**ZEESEN PROGRAMMES**

This Evening's Broadcast From The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows:

**SOUTH ASIA ZONE**

(South Asia Zone, broadcast from DJB, 10.24 metres (10.240 k.c.) 1.30-3 p.m. Concert.

9.45 p.m. Call DJA, DJB, DJN (Germ. Eng.). German Folk Song, Programme Forecast (Germ. Eng.).

9.55 p.m. "Carnival" Op. 9 by Robert Schumann.

9.55 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

10 p.m. A Joy in Tune by Toy Railway.

10.05 p.m. Dance Music.

10.15 p.m. News in German on DJA, DJB.

11.30 p.m. Today in Germany. Sound Pictures.

11.45 p.m. "A Question Just for you alone."

12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

12.30 a.m. Close down DJA, DJB and DJN (Germ. Eng.).

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### DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

To-day's Broadcasting From Four Transmissions

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are observed by Daventry:

Call Sign	Frequency	Wave-length
GSA	6,000 k.c.	49.50 metres
GSC	6,100 k.c.	49.18 metres
GSD	6,200 k.c.	48.86 metres
GSE	6,300 k.c.	48.54 metres
GSG	6,400 k.c.	48.22 metres
GSH	6,500 k.c.	47.90 metres
GSI	6,600 k.c.	47.58 metres
GSL	6,700 k.c.	47.26 metres

Transmission 1 (G.S.A. and G.S.C.)

7 a.m. Big Ben: A Studio Concert by Empire Artists.

7.15 a.m. Grand Christmas Pantomime. Greenwich Time Signal at 8 a.m.

8.45 a.m. The News and Announcements. 9.45 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 2 (G.S.C. and G.S.E.)

7 p.m. Big Ben: The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.

Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.

8.15 p.m. Talk: "I Knew a Man."

8.25 p.m. Dance Music.

8.45 p.m. The Children's Hour.

9.30 p.m. The News.

9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3 (G.S.E. and G.S.G.)

10.45 p.m. Land's End to John o' Groats.

11.15 p.m. "High Spirits"—No. 10: The Orpheus Restaurant, Belfast.

11.30 p.m. Dorothy Hodgkin's Hissers and Players.

12.15 a.m. Reginald King and his Orchestra.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.

12.30 a.m. The News.

12.45 a.m. Reginald King and his Orchestra (cont'd).

1 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4 (G.S.B. and G.S.D.)

1.15 a.m. Big Ben: The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

2 a.m. The News.

2.30 a.m. Piano Solo: "The Nightingale."

2.45 a.m. The B.B.C. Military Band.

3 a.m. The Saturday Magazine.

3.15 a.m. Music Hall.

5.15 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 5 (G.S.B. and G.S.D.)

5.30 a.m. Medvedev's Balalaika Orchestra with Olga Alexeeva (Soprano).

5.45 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 6 (G.S.C. and G.S.E.)

11 a.m. Big Ben: "We Won't Go Home Till Morning!"

Greenwich Time Signal at 11.30 a.m.

11.45 a.m. The News.

12.15 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 2 (G.S.J. and G.S.H.)

8 p.m. Big Ben: Weekly Newsletter and Sports Summary.

8.20 p.m. A Recital by Braxator.

8.30 p.m. St. Stephen's Silver Band.

Greenwich Time Signal at 9 p.m.

9.30 p.m. Piano Solo: "The Nightingale."

9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3 (G.S.B. and G.S.D.)

(G.S.G. 10-11.45 p.m.; G.S.E. 10 p.m.-1 a.m.; G.S.H. 12-1 a.m.)

10 p.m. Big Ben: A Programme of Ballet Music. The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra.

10.45 p.m. Sports Talk.

11 p.m. A Recital of New Gramophone Records.

11.30 p.m. The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra.

12.10 a.m. Weekly Newsletter and Sports Summary.

Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.

12.30 a.m. A Children's Service.

1 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4 (G.S.B. and G.S.D.)

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PART I

1.15 a.m. Big Ben: The B.B.C. Military Band.

2 a.m. Weekly Newsletter and Sports Summary.

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Don Carlos (Tenor).

2.30 a.m. The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra.

Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.

3.30 a.m. A Recital by John Costa (Tenor) and Eda Kersey (Violin).

3.55 a.m. A Religious Service, played from Lambeth Palace, London.

4.45 a.m. Close down.

PART II

5 a.m. Talk: "Serialized."

5.20 a.m. Leslie Jeffries and the Grand Hotel.

Greenwich Time Signal at 6 a.m.

6 a.m. Weekly Newsletter (Second Reading) and Sports Summary.

6.20 a.m. The New Georgian Trio.

6.45 a.m. Close down.

### KZRM PROGRAMME

#### This Evening's Broadcast From Manila Station

The following programme will be broadcast from Manila this evening on a wave-length of 485 metres (618.5 kilocycles):

6 p.m. Spanish Informational Period.

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7 p.m. Vespers by Pablo Palomo.

7.15 p.m. U. P. Education Programme.

7.30 p.m. Rineon Espanol featuring Ramon.

7.45 p.m. Teachers' Sanatorium Programme.

8.15 p.m. Pioneers of the Philippines.

8.30 p.m. Rodolfo Danao and his Patouris.

Greenwich Time Signal at 9 p.m.

9.30 p.m. Piano Solo: "The Nightingale."

9.45 p.m. The Beetle Store presents Mo and Noah in "Snaky Business."

9.55 p.m. Gospel Hour conducted by Rev. K. H. Jones.

9.30 p.m. Symphony Concert.

10 p.m. Summer Hour.

11 p.m. Sign Off.

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SOCIAL SERVICE

The value of social service in dissipating ignorance, prejudice and misunderstanding has recently been stressed at Home by prominent personages actively associating themselves in work on behalf of those in need. Voluntary service and public service, it has well been pointed out, do not lead in opposite but in parallel directions. In Britain, the growth of social service is generally admitted to be of special importance, because the people believe in democracy and hate dictatorships, placing more value on free and spontaneous growth than on "efficiency" secured by compulsion. The National Council of Social Service, through various councils scattered throughout the country, serves the purpose of bringing into fellowship and co-operation all who share its ideals. In this connection, the Council has always laid stress on the importance of a social unit and centre of *esprit de corps* of the community or neighbourhood served. This is the real school of democracy. It is being increasingly realised, moreover, that social remedies have to be adapted to modern conditions and requirements. In other times, social service often smacked of self-conscious benevolence and patronage; it stimulated class severance and obstructed the enormous happiness which flows from human sympathy. To-day, however, social service involves personal contact and personal action, not merely or even necessarily the process of giving. Modern conditions emphasise the need and true economy of prevention of social ills rather than their attempted cure. In the ideal State, overlapping and consequent waste of energy and money are avoided, with real co-operation between the State and the individual, so that they may not be separated in watertight compartments to the detriment of both. Here in Hongkong, due to a variety of peculiar local conditions, the great bulk of social service is discharged by voluntary organisations, which the Government assists by grants. However, in recent times, the authorities have gradually assumed a larger share of the task, particularly in connection with welfare work amongst sick and needy children. There is, moreover, a growing sense of communal responsibility towards the poorer classes, and it is significant of the enhanced interest in this work that there is manifest a marked desire that the problem of poverty be faced by some scheme of co-ordinated effort. The problem is admittedly difficult of solution, due, in the main, to economic factors, but the social conscience of the Colony is being awakened, and in course of time it should be possible to devise a scheme which will result in some of the worst evils of local conditions being eradicated.

OF all the Railway accidents which have occurred within the United Kingdom, none has sent a more intense thrill through the nation than the Tay Bridge disaster.

The fact that the train and its seventy-five or so passengers—the real number was never accurately ascertained—went out of sight like a drowned rocket, leaving only mute—and yet how eloquent—wreckage, and the uncertain impressions of distant observers to testify to its fate: the fact that it happened on Sunday—which, be sure, did not escape the attention of the Scottish ministers any more than the Clayton Tunnel disaster eighteen years before had eluded the wrath of their southern brethren—all combined to invest the occurrences with an atmosphere of unusual horror.

The lost train was the evening one from Edinburgh, Waverley Station, but as these were pre-Forth Bridge days, the passengers travelled by steam ferry from Granton to Burntisland, from which place, therefore, No. 224 and its train really started.

## NOTES OF THE DAY

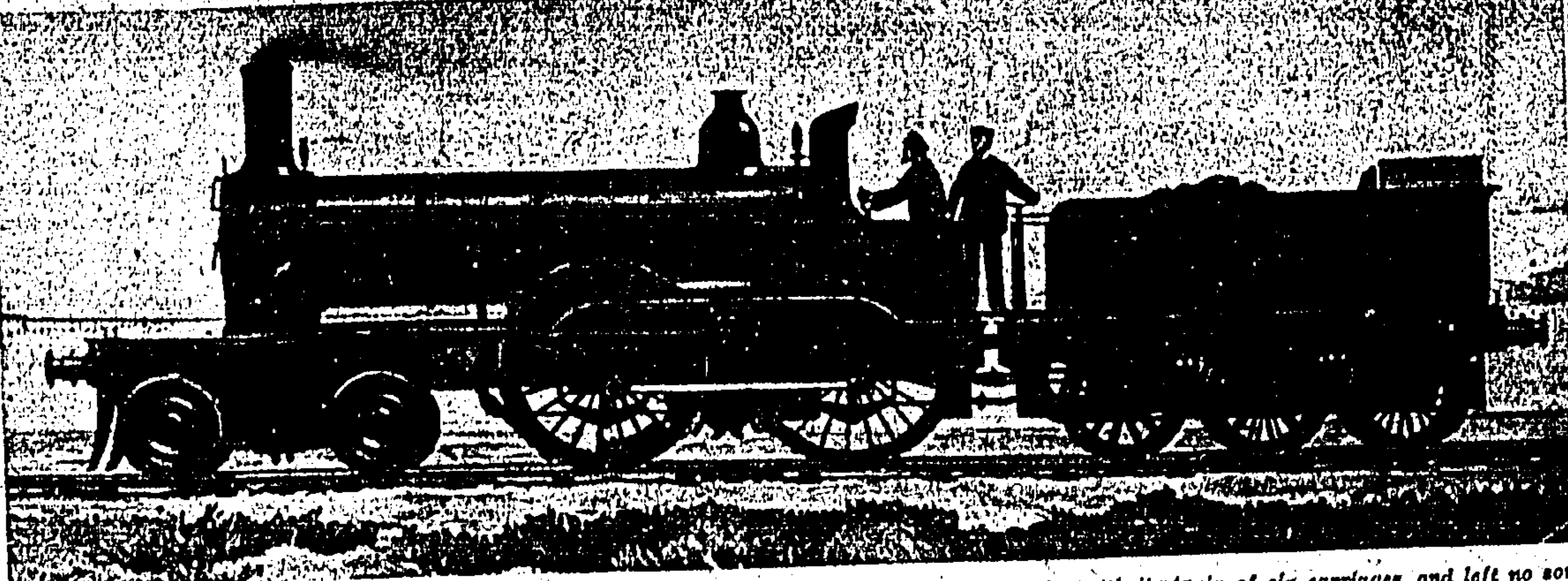
## WHITHER EUROPE?

It is a self-evident truth, one supposes, that the intense nationalism in Europe to-day is the fire that keeps the pots of hate on the boil. It seems no less true that this nationalism is almost invariably an attribute of nations which have experienced revolution. It seems true that as often as not a dictatorship grows out of such internal upheavals of politics as can be classed as revolutions; and we find this strange paradox: that the reformers who insist upon the necessity of internationalism are themselves the most violent of patriots. Out of revolution came Mussolini, and the dictatorship, and that intense "Italianism" of to-day. And that is only an example.

We learn from H. A. L. Fisher's "History of Europe," that he puts the blame for the intense hostile nationalism of the past two centuries upon the growing passion for freedom which has swept the nations of the world, sometimes with shocking consequences, since the teachings of Mazzini, Cavour, Koosuth, Gambetta, and their like, first reached the people. The ideals which inspired these great Liberators were undoubtedly splendid, the love of country, the fierce pride and the refusal to accept alien domination. Their achievements were tremendous. But they created that super-sensitive national consciousness; a new susceptibility, suspicion and fear came in natural sequence. The newly-freed rattled their swords at the first suspicion of an alleged symptom of lack of respect. In other words, very often at nothing. Anyway, the quest for freedom continued on the Continent while nation-consciousness grew to nightmare strength. Hegel and Marx laid the foundations of Fascism and Communism, and contrived by Locke and Rousseau. Which should it be? A state for the benefit of the people; or a people who lived only for the benefit of the state?

We commence to wonder how much freedom is to be found in the doctrines of the revolutionary leaders when we remember that the world's greatest modern dictators, for the most part, sprang from the Communist fold. The Second International contained the names of Lenin (the Russian leader who, many insist, was more an autocrat

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The engine that, on the night of Sunday, December 28, 1879, fell through the old Tay Bridge with its train of six carriages, and left no soul to tell the tale. After its fall to the bottom of Tay it lay submerged for some three months, but was eventually recovered.

## The Railway Disaster That Horrified The World

Homeward bound to join their folk for New Year's Eve . . . Fifty-six years ago to-day, on a turbulent Scottish Sunday, the train commenced its last journey. Aboard were seventy-five or so—the real number has never been ascertained—passengers. A plate-layer idly watched its progress as it commenced to cross the Tay Bridge. Then . . . "a great flash of fire sprang up, and the three tail lights disappeared from his view . . ." The entire train and its occupants dropped into the waters below like a drowned rocket and for two days, until divers descended to the bed of the Tay; no one knew exactly what had happened.

Out of the Tay Disaster, which struck horror into the hearts of all Scotland, grew the colossal Forth Bridge, which owes its extremely massive design entirely to the catastrophe. Had the train been a few minutes earlier or later, it is quite possible that the old Tay Bridge would be standing to-day, and the Forth bridge may have been of less spectacular design.

It is curious that nobody has recorded what sort of a passage the ferry boat made on that rough night. It can be very boisterous on that part of the Forth without the assistance of a phenomenal storm, but the gale would be in the steamer's favour on this occasion.

The Tay Bridge had been opened on June 1 in the previous year, and had therefore had an existence of only some months. It carried a single-track with check rails throughout, and was 3,465 yards—nearly two miles—long. It consisted of eighty-six spans varying from 29 to 245 feet in length. There were eleven of the latter length and two of 227 feet, these thirteen spans being the high wrought-iron lattice of girders—27 feet high and 14 feet 10 inches apart—which fell. The piers were some of them of brick, but most consisted of hexagonal brick piers surmounted by groups of cast-iron pillars bolted and braced together. The bridge was neither level nor straight, but from the fifth side rose gradually to the high girders, and then fell rapidly 1 in 74 to the Forth side which it approached on a curve of 20 chains. The maximum height of the rails above high water was 92 feet, and the maximum depth of the river at high water was 45 feet.

The bridge was built from the designs of Mr. T. Bouch, engineer to the North British Railway (who was knighted on its completion), by Hopkins, Gilkes and Co.,

Middlesborough, and cost £350,000.

Prior to opening the Board of Trade tested it by running to and fro, at the speed of forty miles an hour, six heavy locomotives and tenders, weighing 438 tons, and forming 291 feet long, and under that severe proof the spans showed but an insignificant deflection, although as a matter of precaution the licensed speed of trains was limited to twenty-two miles an hour, a regulation which the Railway Company ignored.

It is noteworthy that General Hutchinson, the inspector, said that he would have liked an opportunity of observing the effects of a high wind when a train was running over the bridge. The south-west storm which caused the disaster was the most severe for many years, as was evidenced by the fact that it uprooted, not far from Dundee, oaks which were known to be three hundred years old. A gale had prevailed all day on Saturday, subsiding on Sunday morning. But it burst out again in the afternoon, and had reached its maximum about the time of the accident. It was characterised by fearful squalls, driving rain before them in blinding clouds. No accurate observations appear to have been taken at Dundee, but Professor Grant at Glasgow Observatory testified that the velocity of wind there at 7.10 p.m., and again at 8 p.m., was seventy-two miles per hour, but sudden gusts occurred from time to time which momentarily attained a velocity of ninety miles per hour, equal to 40-lb. pressure on the square foot.

The train stopped at St. Fort, two miles south of the bridge, where tickets were collected, and at 7.13 p.m. passed the south signal-box at low speed to enable the signalman to hand the line staff to the fireman, which was done without remarks being exchanged. At that moment bright moonlight prevailed, but it was occasionally obscured by masses of dark clouds blown rapidly along. In the south signal cabin with the signalman was a platelayer, who had dropped in for a chat. This man watched the progress of the train from the cabin window and noticed that soon after it had got upon the bridge sparks appeared

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## BULLS AND INNERS

## From the Office Butts

There was a shortage of mistletoe this year, but even so, that good old kismas feeling seemed to be abroad.

Wives who gave the proverbial carpet slippers at least made sure of making their presents felt!

Another man we know was given a telescope. Wonder if he saw stars?

Every Hongkong woman may not know how to cook, but judging from the appearance of some of their plates, most of them know how to stuff turkey.

By the same token, some men who would never get the town alight, found it an easy matter with the pudding.

We heard a local resident declare that he has seen an incubated turkey. We ourselves tried to carve one that ended up under the table.

The charge that the Colonial Office overlooks Hongkong is denied by Sir William Peel. They even tell us how much we shall spend on the Travel Association.

We hear of one yachting party which sailed round the Island three times during Christmas. They made sure of passing the port.

Two tigers were seen on Boxing Day. We shouldn't have been surprised had it been a whole zoological garden.

Certain local yachtsmen had a bon-bon voyage.

One lady we hear about got a diamond ring out of a cracker. It was her most important Christmas engagement.

We hear of one man who has made a New Year resolution to get married. So far we have not heard about his second "her."

Sir William Peel told the China Association that speeches are conspicuous by their absence in the Hongkong Legislative Council. But this doesn't necessarily mean that our Unofficials are dumb.

## SIDE GLANCES By George Clark

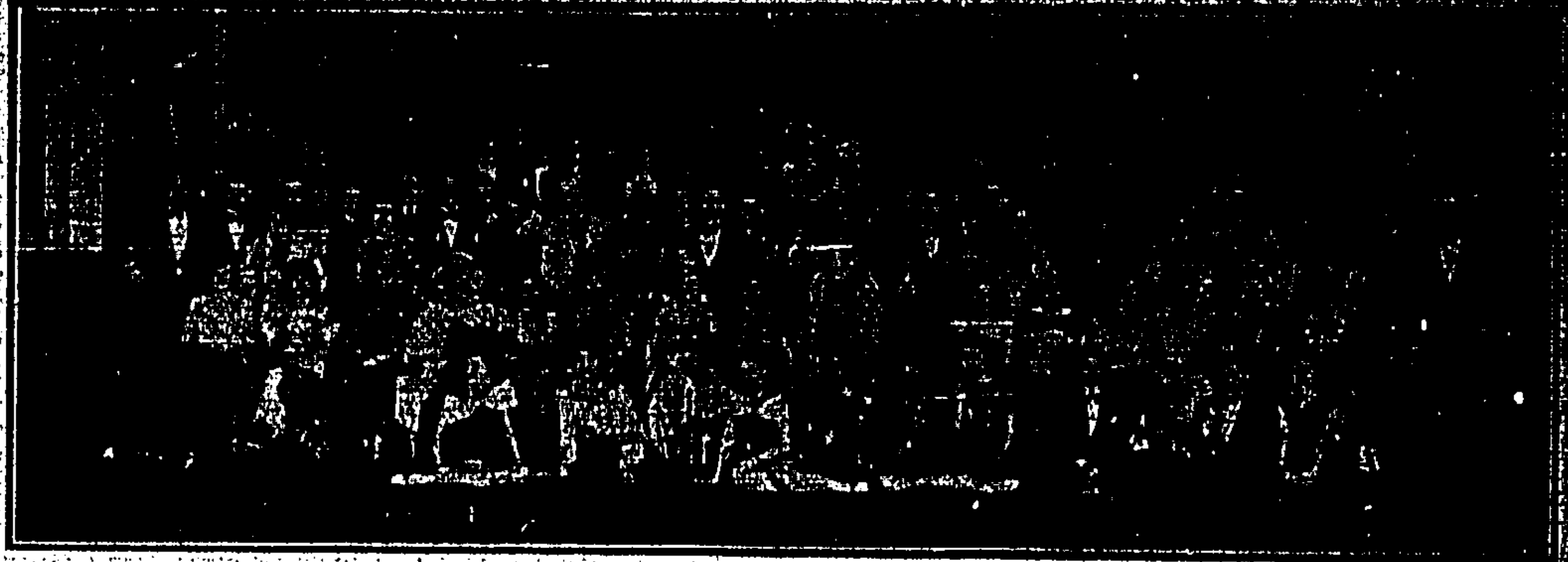


"Her husband told me not to let her take the car out, but what can I do?"





A most enjoyable fancy dress dance was held at the Peak Hotel recently, when the above flashlight photograph was taken. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



The above picture was taken at the Christmas carnival dance held by the St. Andrew's Club in the Church Hall recently. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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IN A FIT OF BIG-HEARTEDNESS YOU SAY: "LET'S CANCEL ALL DEBTS AND START FRESH." - AND THE BIRD WHO OWES YOU TEN IMMEDIATELY MAKES ANOTHER TOUCH.



YOU RESOLVE TO WORK HARD, KEEP REGULAR HOURS AND GET AHEAD - AND WHAT HAPPENS? - SOMEONE GIVES A PARTY - AND THERE YOU ARE! - IN THE MIDDLE OF IT!



YOU RESOLVE TO BELIEVE THE BEST ABOUT EVERYONE AND AVOID REPEATING SCANDALOUS TALES - WHEN ALONG COMES A BIT OF DIRT - THAT'S SIMPLY TOO GOOD TO KEEP TO YOURSELF!



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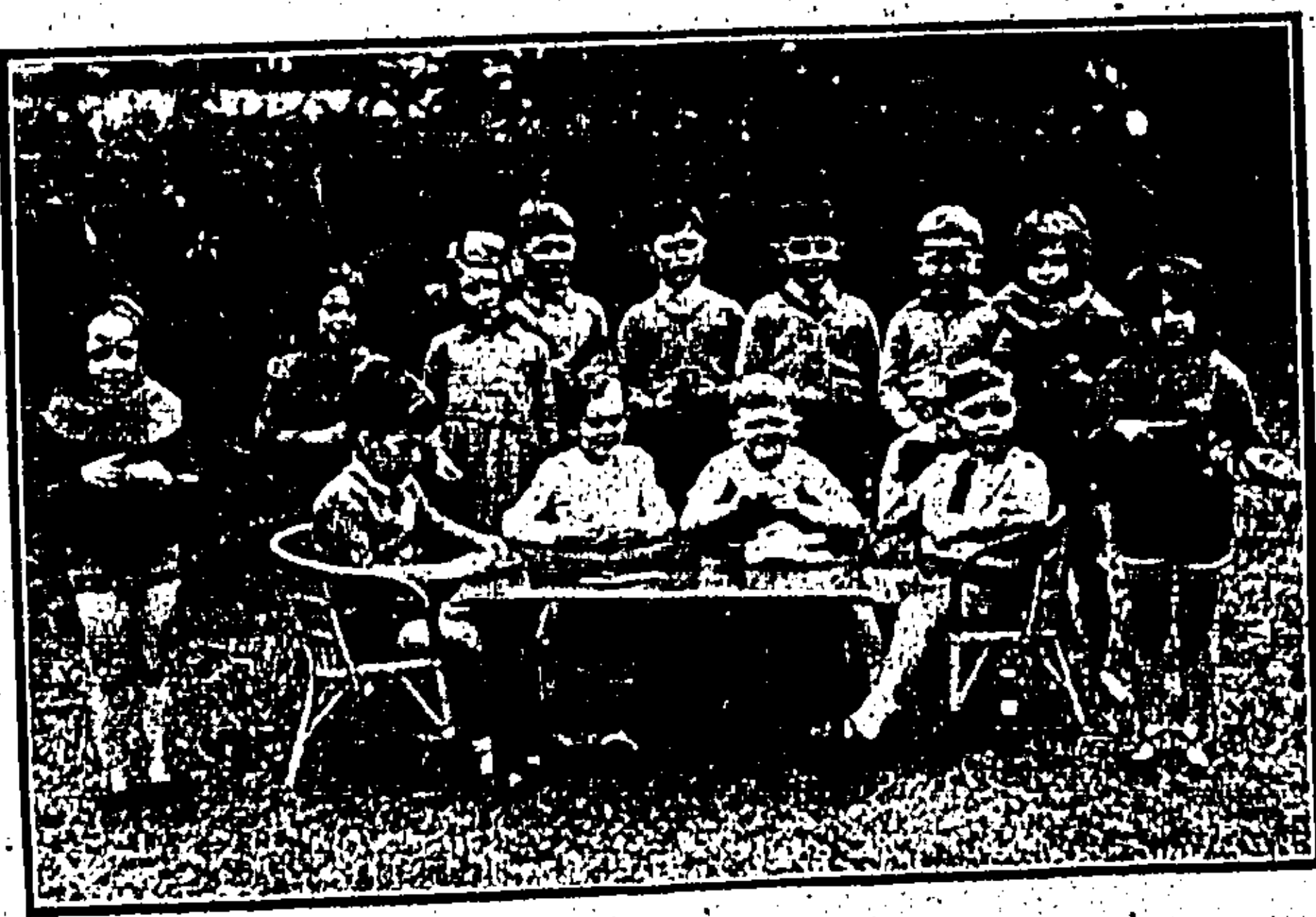
The bridal party at the wedding of Mr. Ko Fook-sing, son of Mr. Ko Ho-ning, Manager of the Fao Hang Bank, and Miss S. K. Woo (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Bridal group taken at the wedding of Mr. Leung Iu-choi and Miss She Pick-har. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



A happy quartette of little girls who took part in the Laloma School Christmas party. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



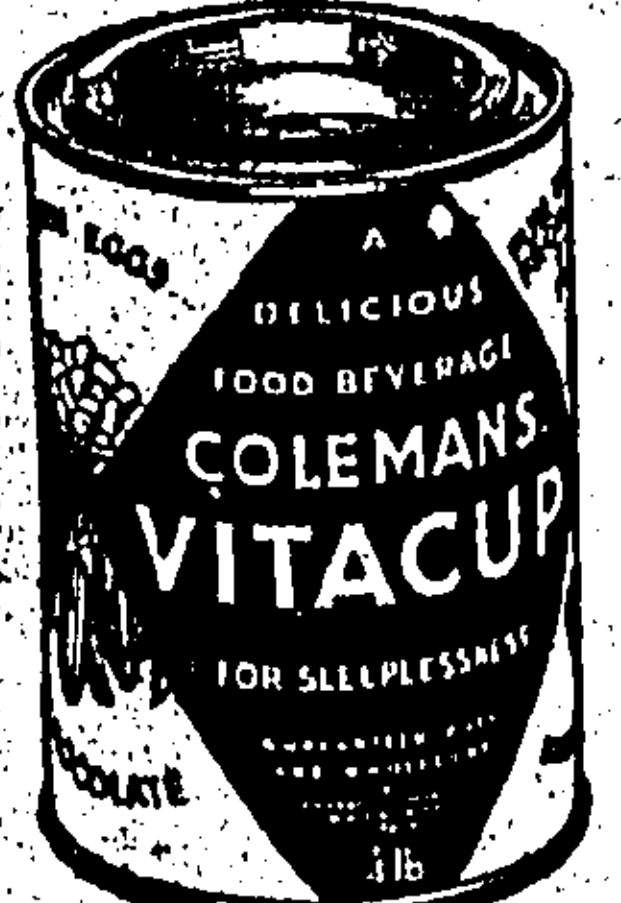
Kiddies of the Laloma School enjoying themselves at the recent Christmas party. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Picture shows a class at work in the aero-engine workshop of the Far East Flying Training School.



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"The Coming of Christ"—a Nativity play enacted by the upper classes of the Holy Spirit Anglo-Chinese School in Calne Road on the occasion of the prize-giving held at St. Patrick's Hall. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral on Friday of last week of Mr. R. G. Edwards Jones and Miss Mary Kerr, after which the above group was taken. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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## The Railway Disaster That Horrified The World

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at the rail level, and continued all the way along. These were probably caused by the wheel flanges grinding against the eastern rail as the train felt the force of the westerly gale.

Suddenly, just at the time when the train appeared to have reached the high girders, a great flash of fire sprang up, and the three red ball lamps disappeared from his view in a moment, and appeared to descend into the river. Alarmed, he told the signalman, who was inclined to doubt; but not seeing any sign of the train on the curve towards Dundee he tried to signal to the north cabin, but found his telegraph wire interrupted.

They then started to walk across the bridge, but were intimidated by the furious blast. The writer came to understand this when eighteen months later, he walked along the narrow platform of the bridge from Wormit, as far as the gap, in a fitful but not particularly boisterous wind.

They returned and ran along the Pile Shore, seeking for a view of the bridge. At last the moon burst out again, and they then perceived a long gap in the line of the structure. As quickly as possible they made their way to Newport with the dismal news.

How the catastrophe appeared from the north side has been graphically told by a gentleman whose house was near the river, and commanded a good view of the bridge. He was at his parlour window giving his children a Bible lesson, and feeling a deep sense of gratitude that they were safe from the storm which howled outside, when he was attracted to the window by a startling crash caused by the blowing down of a neighbour's chimney tops.

He found a bright blaze of moonlight lighting up the broad expanse of the Tay, and showing the long white line of the bridge.

Looking at his watch he found that it was just seven o'clock, and said, "The Edinburgh train will be due immediately; let us watch if it will attempt to cross on such a night." They turned down the gate in the parlour and grouped at the window to watch for the train. The moon-shine became more intermittent, and great scurrying clouds at times intercepted it altogether.

"There she comes," said one of the children, and at that moment the slowly moving lights of the Edinburgh train could be distinctly seen rounding the curve at Wormit and passing the southern signal-box.

The train, once on the bridge, seemed to move more rapidly, and when the engine entered the tunnel-like high girders his little girl described the effects of the lights momentarily shining through and then eclipsed by the lattice work as "like lightning."

While they were watching, a comet-like burst of fiery sparks sprang up, as though forcibly rejected into the darkness by the engine, and a long trail or streak of fire was seen to fall till quenched in the water below. Then there was darkness on the track.

A silence fell upon the eager group at the window as the idea broke upon them that the train had fallen over the bridge and was in the river.

With growing horror they watched the curve at the north side to try and see if the train would pass that point, but several minutes elapsed, and no moving object broke the continuity of the bridge. The gentleman took his hat and hurried out and across Magdalen Green, where he met several individuals who had observed that something was wrong with the crossing train.

The wind at that time was so strong that he had to crouch down upon the grass of the Green to prevent being carried bodily away. One man was blown against another, and both tumbled together. The massive signal post beside the north box was bent by the wind like a willow, and on entering the Esplanade the pebbles were dashed

ing about with such force that the hunda and face were positively sore with the violence of the impact.

When the alarm was given by the Stationmaster at Tyn Bridge Station and the Dundee locomotive foreman made their way along the bridge in spite of the storm, and the latter persisted until he came within a few yards of the gap.

Consternation, as may well be imagined, prevailed in Dundee. The Provost and other prominent men embarked in one of the New-Port ferry-boats, and with great difficulty steamed up to the bridge, when they made out that all the long spars were down, and that a gap of at least half a mile existed.

It was two days before divers succeeded in finding any trace of the submerged train, the first coach being discovered just before dusk on Tuesday, while the engine was not located until January 1, when it was found lying 30 feet from the fifth broken pier.

Bodies were recovered very slowly, and ultimately only some thirty out of an estimated seventy-five, a number based on the tickets collected at St. Port, were ever recovered. The carriages were badly smashed, and wreckage was found as far away as Berwick and the coast of Norway.

No entirely satisfactory explanation of the disaster was ever forthcoming. The existence of guard rails forbade the probability of the train getting derailed and smashing the bridge. Sir Thomas Bouch, the engineer, thought the train, or some portion of it, had been tilted by the wind till the tops of the carriages had dragged along and displaced one or more of the girders.

If the wind pressure approached anything like 40 lb. to the square foot, this was quite possible; but then the driver would have been warned by the resulting jolting, whereas the state of the recovered engine proved that his first notice of anything wrong had been the final plunge.

Most probably the entry of the train into the tall lattice-girders, which, of course, greatly increased the flat surface exposed to the gale, unfortunately coincided with one of the fiercest gusts of the storm, and the augmented leverage thus resulting broke or disturbed some of the fastenings between the iron columns and brick pedestals, and collapse naturally followed.

The design and construction of the bridge came in for a good deal of the criticism, and the Board of Trade Inquiry showed that the plans were in some respects faulty, the material of not too high a class, and the maintenance after opening unsatisfactory; but the probability is that, had the bridge survived that night, defects would have, sooner or later, been discovered and remedied.

Had the train been a few minutes earlier or later it is quite possible that the old Tay Bridge would be standing to-day.

In that case the colossal Forth Bridge as we know it would never have existed, for it owes its extremely massive design entirely to the catastrophe of the Tay.

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than any Czar), Mussolini (who unquestionably rules Italy and has led her into war), Pilsudski (the Pole, famous as a soldier, then as a statesman, but loved as a sort of god), MacDonald (who was Prime Minister of Great Britain), Laval (who is Prime Minister of France), Briand, Liebknecht, oh, yes, and Bernard Shaw. Some of them were real dictators, some of them merely the figure-head leaders of their people, with only one voice in the Cabinet, others had only the attributes of the autocrat. But most of them rose to power on a great wave of nationalism; and the greatest of them nourish it. We are waiting for someone to give us a formula for freedom which does not entail national jealousy, hatred and inevitable strife.

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### DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

OUR DOUBTS ARE TRAITORS, AND MAKE US LOSE THE GOOD WE OBTAIN BY FEARING TO ATTEMPT.—Shakespeare.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. C. J. Roe to be Secretary and Mr. Im Ping-tung to be an Assistant Secretary to the Urban Council.

It is notified that no architect, auditor, barrister, dentist (whether registered as a dental surgeon or an exempted person), medical practitioner, pharmacist, chemist or solicitor shall practise in the Colony unless he is in possession of a valid and current certificate to practise. Certificates to practise for 1936 may be obtained from the Stamp Office on payment of the Stamp Duty of \$50.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. E. A. D. Forrest to be Deputy Clerk of Councils.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. C. G. Perdue to act as Deputy Inspector General of Police.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. W. J. Carr to be Chairman of the Urban Council.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. W. M. Thomson to be Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

### CANDID CONFESSION

CHINESE CAUGHT WITH MOULDS IN POLICE RAID

A confession of having had a share in the making of counterfeit coins, was made by Wong, Lau, aged 33, unemployed, when committal proceedings against him were continued before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday afternoon. Further evidence was heard and defendant was remanded until to-day.

Defendant was charged with the possession of ten moulds for counterfeiting Hongkong silver dollars and ten-cent pieces; possession of six moulds for counterfeiting Hongkong ten-cent pieces of mixed metal; possession of ten counterfeit Hongkong dollars; and possession of 14 counterfeit Hongkong ten-cent pieces.

Detective-Sergeant C. H. Goodwin appeared for the prosecution, and testified as to where the various exhibits were found.

Chinese detective C501, Wu Shu-chi, deposed that on November 26 at 2.30 a.m. he went with Detective-Sergeant Goodwin and a party of detectives to No. 155 Kweiling Street, ground floor, where the back door was broken open and the police entered. Witness followed Detective-Sergeant Goodwin through the court-yard to a small room. The door of this room was open but there was a bed board obscuring the doorway. Defendant was standing inside the room near a Chinese earthenware stove in which a charcoal fire was burning. He was holding a ladle in one hand. A search was made of the room and various materials for counterfeiting coins were found.

Admits Counterfeiting.—Foo Yuh-ching, interpreter, stated that when defendant was charged he made statements in answer to all the charges, in which he admitted the ownership of the moulds.

Defendant elected to give evidence, and stated that on September 25 he went with a friend to the Wing Sing Tong Kaitan Guild at Shamshuipo to look for a man named Wong Kwan, but he was not at the place. His son, Wong Yuh-ching, was with him. They were told that Wong had gone to the Lung Kong temple and were advised to wait for him outside the place.

When they met Wong they went to an opium den and had a discussion, and Wong agreed to put up some capital. That night witness was put up by Wong at the premises of the Guild, and the next day they went to Wong's house and rented a room. Wong's son and witness then moved in. From time to time Wong's son brought money to witness for provisions.

"Wong Kwan put up the capital and we started making counterfeit money," admitted witness, "some coins had been turned out and it was not good enough, but he could find people to buy them. On November 22 Wong Kwan came to me and asked me to go to Hongkong with him to buy material, but we did not do so until the 28th, of the 10th. moon and we started working on the 29th."

"On the night of the 28th, Wong Kwan's son came to me and got several dollars' worth of ten-cent pieces, and said that some purchasers had been found for them. He also told me that his father wanted to see me at his house at 9.30 that night. I went there and the three of us went out and had something to eat and smoked opium, and when I returned to my room I was arrested by the police."

Defendant stated that he would like to call two witnesses, but the case was remanded for 24 hours.

Forged Bank Notes.—Further evidence was heard by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon when committal proceedings were continued against Cheung Kin-pui, book-keeper of the On Lok Yuen Cafe, 25, Des Voeux Road Central, P. S. Shu, master of the Kam Cheung Piece-shop shop, and Sze To-wai, unemployed, charged with possession of forged bank notes.

Cheung Kin-pui is defended by Mr. J. M. D'Almeida Remedios and P. S. Shu is represented by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall. Mr. F. G. Nigel appeared on behalf of Sze To-wai.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, conducted the case for the Crown.

Detective-Inspector K. W. Andrew, attached to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, testified that on November 24, about 11.30 a.m. he received the prisoner P. S. Shu from Detective Chiu Yung-tong. P. S. Shu stated that he received the forged bank notes from Cheung Kin-pui in payment of a \$200 loan. Cheung Kin-pui in turn gave the name of the third defendant, Sze To-wai, who lived at 21, Hing Lung Street. Sze To-wai stated he won the money through gambling in the country.

After further evidence the hearing was again adjourned.

### QUIET WEDDING

LIEUT. F. PURCELL MARRIES MISS N. E. SOUTH

A quiet wedding was solemnised at the Peak Church, yesterday morning when Miss Nora E. South, formerly of the nursing staff at the Military Hospital, became the bride of Lieut. F. H. V. Purcell, R.A. The Rev. H. C. Davies, M.C., M.A., C.P., officiated.

The bride, who entered the Church on the arm of Captain Temple Morris, R.A.O.C., wore a lavender shaded costume and, instead of the usual bouquet, carried a prayer-book. The duties of best man were undertaken by Lieut. Roger Walter, R.A. Appropriate music was rendered on the organ by Lieut. A.W. Lorena, R.E.

After the ceremony, a reception was given for the newly-wed couple and their friends by Mrs. H. G. Seth-Smith, Thorpe Manor.

Lieut. and Mrs. Purcell left for a trip to North China later in the day.

### RESIDENT RETIRING

MARINE SUPERINTENDENT OF JARDINE'S

Hongkong shipping circles will soon be losing one of their most prominent personalities owing to the forthcoming retirement of Capt. Donald Skinner, the Marine Superintendent of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., for whom Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Ltd. are the General Managers.

Capt. Skinner's association with China and Hongkong dates back to 1907, when he arrived off Foochow as an apprentice on the full-rigged ship King George, which was nicknamed one of "Russell's coffins." A natural ability backed up by hard work enabled him to rise to the position which he occupies to-day. During his service with the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, he has been in command of 11 vessels. Capt. Skinner went to live at Hull at an early age. At that port the seeds of desire to "go to sea" were sown. After a period at the Hull Grammar School, Capt. Skinner was apprenticed to the firm of Messrs. Rankin, Gilmour and Co. of Liverpool, serving in their fine tramp steamers for over three years. He obtained his early training on the St. Irene, St. Bede and Saint Eibert.

He then joined the Prince Line for a while, later being apprenticed to the Anglo-American Oil Co. While with this firm he joined the full-rigged ship, King George, reputed to be one of "Russell's coffins." Despite this reputation, Capt. Skinner found her to be a fine vessel, well equipped, and along with the usual "salt" hand of those days, her master was most anxious to see that his apprentices learned their business.

His service on the King George gave Capt. Skinner a sound knowledge of the sea, and even to this day he holds a very high regard for those "windjammer" days.

Arrival in China.—Capt. Skinner first saw China when he arrived off Foochow on the King George in 1907. Anchoring off Matsui Island, the ship took on 50 Chinese and sailed up to Pagoda Anchorage. It was not a pleasant nor easy job for a deeply laden sailing vessel of 3,000 gross tons.

Chinese who were taken on the ship assisted in manning the braces, though they did not "splice" them. From Foochow the vessel proceeded to Swatow, sailing into that port after being delayed for two days off Peng Rock for lack of wind.

The next port of call from Swatow was Hongkong. The voyage took the King George 14 days to complete. Some idea of the progress made by modern shipping can be gauged by the fact that steam vessels do this now in only 19 hours.

Leaving the Indo-China S.N. Co., he joined the China Navigation Company and was with them for two years, serving on the old Kaifong and the Shantung. Re-joining the Indo-China Co., he passed through the various stages from junior officer to the command of 14 vessels, and in 1923 became Assistant Marine Superintendent. He later became the Senior Marine Superintendent of the Company.

A Fine Record.—Capt. Skinner's record throughout his life has been a successful one, marked by capability, hard work, and attention to his duties and the various interests of his Company.

As a member of the Technical Subcommittee (Shipping) of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce for some years, his work and advice, based on a very comprehensive knowledge of local conditions and requirements, has been invaluable. His sound nautical experience has proved useful to the Chamber more than once.

Capt. and Mrs. Skinner will be missed by their friends in shipping and charitable circles in the Colony, of whom they will join in wishing them health, long life and prosperity. They intend to take up their residence in Sydney, Australia.

### ECONOMIC EXPERTS

CONFERENCE FORMALLY OPENED IN CANTON

Canton, Dec. 27.—The 12th Annual Conference of the China Economics Association was formally opened yesterday morning at the hall of the Municipal Reception House. Over 50 members of the Association and economists attended the meeting.

The Mayor, Mr. Liu Chi-wen, and representative of General Chen Chitang and Chairman Lin Yuen-kai made speeches of welcome.

The Municipal Government gave a dinner party in honour of the members of the Association to-day.

The Conference will be in session for four days. The main subject to be discussed is "The future economic policy of China."

The members will visit all government-owned factories and the new works of reconstruction in the province.—Central Press.

### SPEAK FOR HERSELF

ORIGINAL BROADCAST FROM QUEEN MARY

London, Dec. 27.—Twenty-eight microphones points are being installed in the giant liner, Queen Mary, at various places from the bridge to the engine-room. They will be used for broadcasts during her maiden voyage to Southampton to New York next May.

The Captain of the liner, Sir Edward Britton, will broadcast from the bridge and the liner will "speak for herself" with all incidental noises of machinery, wind and wave that attend the passage across the Atlantic.—British Wireless.

## RADIO BROADCAST

A Talk on New Zealand Rugby from Studio

### DANCE MUSIC TO-NIGHT

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (815 kilocycles): 4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme. 7-7.30 p.m. Light Orchestral Selections.

With Song in my Heart—Symphonic Rhapsody (Eric Coates); Berceuse (Jarnett); Stephanie Gavotte (arr. Altendorf); Tangoland; Menuett No. 1 (Paderewski); Cocor Brine (Gillet).

7.30-7.45 p.m. Four Songs by Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano): 1. Villi ("The Merry Widow") (Lehar); 2. The Merry Widow Waltz (Lehar); 3. Beyond the Blue Horizon; 4. Always in All Ways. 7.45-8 p.m. Vocal Gems.

Drinks all Round; Harry Lauder (arr. Byng). 8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.05-8.25 p.m. From the Studio. A Talk on "New Zealand's Rugby and General Sports" by S. J. Gussell. 8.25-8.30 p.m. "The Big Broadcast of 1936" Selection.

8.30-9.20 p.m. A Variety Programme.

Piano Solos—Top Hat Medley, Vivian Ellis; Vocal—Melody Trumps, The Four Aces; Instrumental—Mikala Fun Vee—Don't be afraid to tell your Mother; Sweet Lucy Brown, The Mills Brothers; Saxophone Solo—Sime of these days, Coleman Hawkins; Songs—If all the world were mine; Your Dog's come home again, Gracie Fields; Instrumental—Hawaiian Paradise; Vocal Duo—To-night ("The Queen"); Anna Neagle and Trevor Jones; Orchestra—1. Love you so—Serenade ("The Queen"); 2. In a Little Gypsy Ten Room; Louisiana Fairy Tale, Val Rosing; Orchestra—The Phantom of a Song.

9.20-9.30 p.m. "The Golden Valse" (arr. Byng).

9.30-9.45 p.m. Davenport News Bulletin.

9.45 p.m.-12 midnight. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletin.

12 midnight. Close Down.

NOTE.—There will be a relay from the K. Shing Theatre on Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles from 8-11 p.m.

### TO-MORROW'S BROADCAST

Bells and Service From St. John's Cathedral

### RECITAL BY ELSA ALVES

10.30-11.30 a.m. Morning Service from the Union Church.

11.30 a.m.-12.15 p.m. Morning Service from the Hop Yai Church (Chinese).

12.15-2.30 p.m. European Recorded Programme.

2 p.m. Time and Weather Report.

1.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin.

Military Band Music.

Slavonic Rhapsody (arr. Winterbottom); Air de Ballet; Caillou (Chaminade); Pas des Cymbales (Chaminade); The Mill in the Black Forest (Ellenberg); March of the Mountain Gnomes (Ellenberg); Semper Fidelis March (Souza); The Bells of St. Mark (Rimner); The Beggar's Opera—Selection (Austrian).

A Concert.

Songs—Der Doppelgänger (Schubert); Aufenhalt (Schubert); Alexander Kipria (Bass); Cello Solos—The Nightingale and the Rose, Op. 2 No. 2 (Rimsky-Korsakov); The Garden of Sleep (De Lara); Beatrice Harrison; Songs—Meine Rose (Schubert); Schöne Fremde; In der Fremde; Golem (Schubert); Piano Solo—Granada—Señenado (Albeniz); Le Parc d'Attractions (Blancfort); Ricardo Vines; Songs—O Del Mio Amato Ben (Donaudy); Plaisir d'Amour (Martini); Tillo (Schubert); "Locket in E Flat Major, Op. 20" (Mendelssohn); Marek Weber and his Orchestra.

A Waltz Dream—Potpourri (Strauss, arr. Dostal); Blumenfeld, Op. 39 (Lange, arr. Bluthner); Luna Waltz (Lincoln); Mighty Lak'a Rose (Nevin); Entry of the Spring Flowers (Kockert); You shall be the King of my heart (Gizels).

2.30 p.m. Close Down.

3.30-6.25 p.m. Chinese Programme.

6.25-10.30 p.m. European Programme.

6.25-7.45 p.m. A Relay of the Bells and Evening Service from St. John's Cathedral.

7.45-8 p.m. A Violin Recital by Master Yehudi Menuhin.

Hungarian Dance No. 6 in B flat Major (Brahms); 2. Spanish Dance, Op. 22 (Sarasate); 3. Minuet (Debussy); Flight of the Bumble-Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov); 4. Danse Espagnole ("La Vida Breve") (Kreutzer).

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-8.10 p.m. "The Temple Bells" and "Till I awake" (Four Indian Love Lyrics) (Amy Woodford-Finden).

8.10-8.30 p.m. The Lerner String Quartet.

Air from Suite in D Transcription (Bach); Quartet No. 1 in D Major—Finale—Allegro (Dittersdorf); Quartet in D Minor—Andante Cantabile ("Death and the Maiden") (Schubert); Minuet—Transcription from Sonata in G (Schubert); Moment Musical No. 3—Transcription (Schubert).

8.30-9 p.m. From the Studio.

A Recital by Tony Lorena (Pianoforte) and Owen Jeco (Baritone).

Programme.

1. Songs: More Ryt is that Name (Semele), Handel; Sombra Woods, Lully, arr. Dineky; 2. Piano Solo: Solos; Study in E, Major, Chopin; Prelude in A Flat Major, Chopin.

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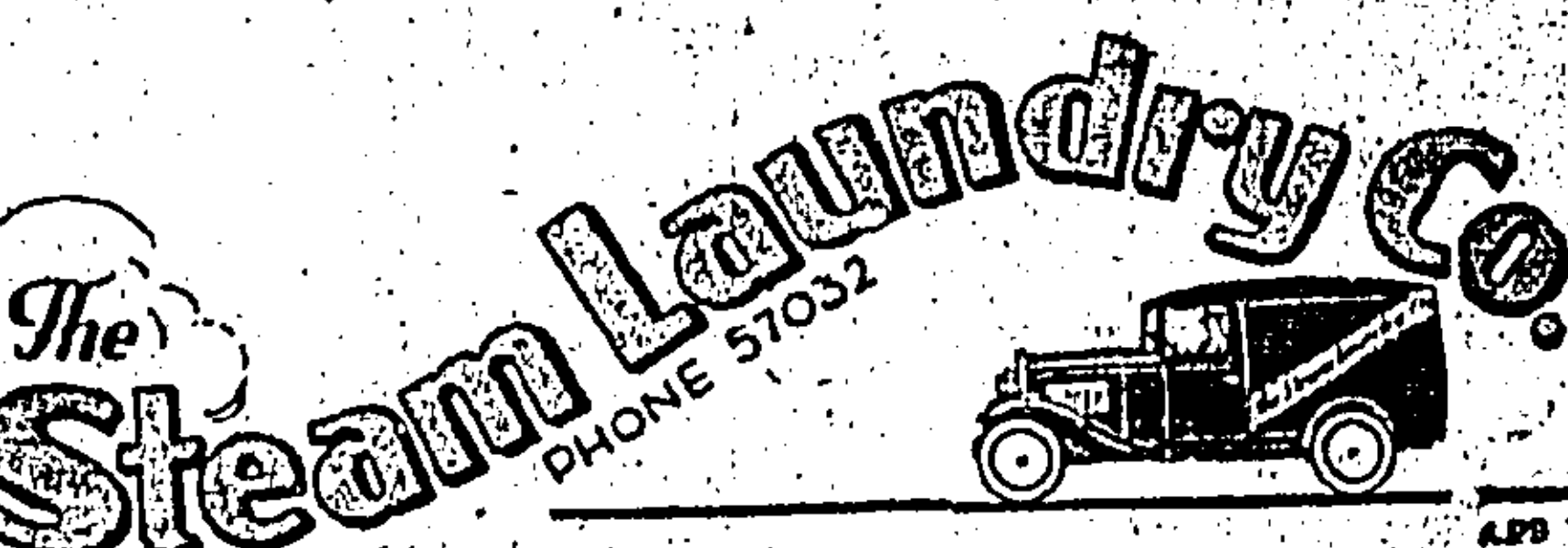
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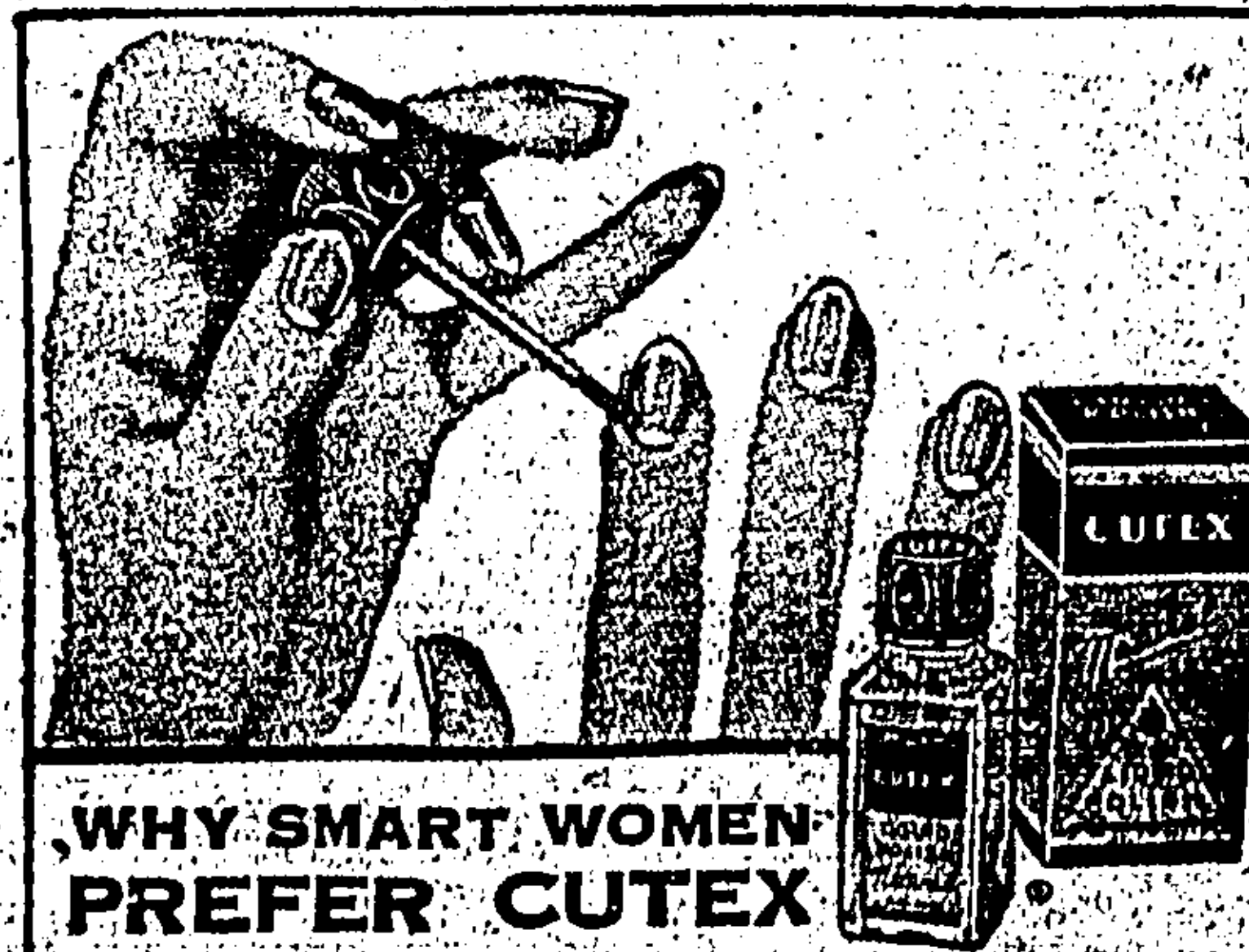
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# Promising New Lady Nourse Establishes New Tennis Player Test Record

## NEW AMERICA'S CUP VESSEL ALL STEEL

London, Dec. 5. Work on Mr. T. J. M. Sopwith's new America's Cup challenger will begin in a few days at Gosport, Hants. She will, it is hoped, be ready to take part in the early regatta of next spring. Endeavour II, is to be built to the extreme length permitted by the rules. She will be an all-steel vessel.

## BADMINTON

### V. R. C. LOSE

#### ST. JOHN'S CAUSE A SURPRISE

#### EXCITING MATCH

One match in the men's doubles division of the badminton league was played last night when St. John's narrowly defeated the V.R.C. by five games to four.

St. John's owed their success to the performances of F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith, who won all three games, and Roland Koh and D. Kwok, who collected two out of three games. Kwok and Smith had a round match with C. N. Silva and S. A. Rumljan winning 23-22, and later the V.R.C. first pair went on to win the remaining two games.

Full scores: F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith (St. John's) beat C. M. Xavier and P. B. Allum 21-0; beat D. Lopes and M. M. de Souza 21-10; beat C. N. Silva and S. A. Rumljan 23-22.

Roland Koh and D. Kwok (St. John's) beat Xavier and Allum 21-3; beat Lopes and Souza 21-10; lost to Silva and Rumljan 9-21. Norman Smith and G. Ladd (St. John's) lost to Xavier and Allum 13-21; lost to Lopes and Souza 8-21; lost to Silva and Rumljan 10-21.

#### LEAGUE TABLE

	G	W	L	P	Pts.
St. Andrew's "A"	5	5	0	0	51
Recreo "B"	5	4	1	0	5
Recreo "A"	5	4	0	1	5
C.R.C.	5	4	1	0	5
Piro Brigade	5	4	1	0	5
St. John's	7	4	3	0	8
St. Andrew's "B"	2	4	10	26	4
Talkoo R.C.	0	2	4	10	35
V.R.C.	0	1	5	10	38
S. and S. Home	0	0	6	17	37
Kowloon Tong	5	0	5	19	44
Elliot Hall "A"	0	0	0	0	0
Elliot Hall "B"	0	0	0	0	0

#### CAPTAIN'S CUP

#### Kowloon Golf Club Qualifiers

E. Christensen won a card of 78-15=93, and J. W. Martin with 88-18=70 qualified for the Captain's Cup competition at the Kowloon Golf Club during the week.

## MRS. DOWLING

### Forehand Drives

#### K. C. C. PAIR WINS

A player, who, if she takes part is likely to have a big say in the destination of the ladies' singles tennis title of the Colony, figured prominently in a first round Colony Mixed Doubles Championship encounter yesterday when G. C. Burnett and Miss Olive Dalziel beat Major L. E. B. Dowling and Mrs. Dowling 8-6, 5-7, 6-4.

Mrs. Dowling gave a brilliant display of tennis and all but won the match off her own racket. Unfortunately Major Dowling could not strike form and was lamentably weak on the backhand.

#### RAKING FOREHAND DRIVE

Mrs. Dowling's chief asset is a raking forehand cross-court drive which compares favourably with the same stroke of Mrs. Kayll and Mrs. Wilson. She constantly "need" the opposition yesterday, especially when they came in on service. She also displayed a reliable backhand, and on such a showing ranks as one of the best lady players in the Colony.

Her game contains no real weakness, although she depends very largely on her powerful forehand to collect points.

Burnett played a well judged game and was wonderfully steady at the net from where he volleyed with discernment and effect. His consistency paved the way for the success of the K.C.C. pair, who now remain the only representatives of the club in the championship.

Miss Dalziel recovered after a nervous start and supported sound ground strokes with some useful and timely interventions at the net. Burnett and Miss Dalziel now meet the holders, Goldman and Miss R. Hancock in the second round.

#### LOCAL HOCKEY

#### Singapore Brigade Beat Club

The Hongkong Hockey Club Reserve met the Hongkong and Singapore Brigades, K.A., at King's Park yesterday and were beaten by three goals to one.

The Gunners were undoubtedly the better side and were two goals up at one stage in the first half. The Club improved, however, and A.A.R. Botelho reduced the deficit.

In the second half play was very even, but the Club defence was unable to prevent the Gunners from adding another to their total.

## LATEST RUGBY RESULTS

### LEICESTER HELD TO A POINTLESS DRAW

London, Dec. 27. Four big rugby union matches were played today. Leicester, who were the favourites, were held to a pointless draw by the following results: Cross Keys 11 London Welsh 3; Leicester 0 Harlequins 0; Northampton 3 Moseley 3; Cardiff 14 Watfordians 0.

## PACIFIC OLYMPIC GAMES PROJECT

### BIG SCHEME ON FOOT

(By "Veritas").

A Pacific Olympic Games meeting once every four years is envisaged by Japanese and New Zealand athletic officials if a scheme, now being contemplated, materialises.

Mr. Samuel J. Gudsell, assistant secretary of the Auckland centre of the New Zealand Amateur Athletic Association, and a sports writer for the Auckland Star and Auckland Weekly News, who is now in Hongkong on his way back to New Zealand after a business trip in Japan, outlined the scheme to me yesterday.

His aim is to secure the support of countries such as the Philippines, Java, China, Japan, the Pacific coast of America, British Columbia, Mexico, Bolivia, Paraguay and Chile. It is felt that more and more is the Pacific becoming the centre of world sport, and that such a scheme would bring together some of the finest athletic talent in the world without the same heavy financial burdens imposed by the World Olympics.

It has been tentatively suggested that Honolulu, as being the most central spot, should stage such Games, and this would ensure the meeting being carried through within three weeks.

#### NEW ZEALAND INVITATION

Mr. Gudsell took part in unofficial discussions with Japanese athletic officials recently and he is returning to New Zealand to lay the plan before the authorities there. Japan is most enthusiastic about the project, although it is generally recognised that nothing concrete can emerge until after the Berlin Games next year.

Mr. Gudsell also revealed that the New Zealand A.A.A. has extended an invitation to Japan and the Philippines to send track and field and swimming teams to the Antipodes for the 1936-37 season. The Philippines have already shown themselves to be in favour of such a visit, and it is fairly certain that Japan will accept.

It is probable that the New South Wales and Queensland athletic authorities will also be prepared to assist in the scheme and will make provision for the teams to appear at Brisbane and Sydney en route to New Zealand.

The inclusion of baseball in the World Olympic programmes of the future is being agitated for by American and Japan, said Mr. Gudsell. American has succeeded in persuading the Berlin Olympic organisers of the 1936 Olympics to stage an exhibition of the game, and if Japan succeeds in getting the 1940 meeting allocated to Tokyo, it is fairly certain that baseball will be officially included as the game in so popular in Japan.

#### WORLD FEDERATION

This will probably lead to the establishment of a World Baseball Federation with the object of controlling organised baseball throughout the world. At the present time clubs outside of America have no rules for guidance apart from those adopted by America, and in various places these rules have been varied.

It is felt that the game is now becoming popularised in other countries and that there will be the need of a single control and an established set of regulations. In New Zealand baseball games are staged before the big rugby league matches and in consequence the game is becoming quite popular in the country. In Japan, of course, it already has a nationwide appeal, and it is also played in Shanghai, Canton, Hongkong and the Philippines.

If baseball does become officially recognised by the World Olympic committee and included in future programmes, it is fairly certain that a World Baseball Federation will result.

The Club rugby fifteen which lost last week to the Army in the Triangular Tournament. The Club meet Navy this afternoon and have made several team changes expected to strengthen the side. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



## To-day's Rugby Football

### MANY CRICKET CONVERTS

#### Mr. Findlay On The L.B.W. Rule

Upon the occasion of the annual meeting of county cricket secretaries at Lord's yesterday, Mr. W. Findlay, who is shortly retiring from the secretaryship of the M.C.C., alluded to the unqualified success of the experimental l.b.w. rule.

"Many of those people who at the start opposed the innovation," he added, "admitted at the finish that their fears were groundless. The new rule does help the bowler, and it will help him still more if he makes use of the bowling-craze."

A certain well-known cricketer, he added, wanted the rule to apply to the leg-side as well as the off-side, and to off-side balls which struck the pads, not between wicket and wicket, but which would otherwise have hit the stumps.

Mr. Findlay with an inspired silver tongue as a token of appreciation and affection on his retirement from the office of secretary of Marylebone Cricket Club.

A. F. Wansley and G. S. Boyes have been granted benefits next summer by their respective counties, Sussex and Hampshire. Wansley takes the match v. Notts at Hove on June 27, and Boyes the match v. Somerset at Southampton on July 18.

After vain appeals since the War for a fixture with a touring international cricket team Ireland were successful yesterday at Lord's. They have been given a match against All India at Dublin on July 9, 30 and 31.

## The Nazi Organisation Of Sport

### THE PLAYER WHO IS "WEHRHAFTIG" IS A BETTER SOLDIER

German Cinema-Goers have lately been seeing a news film which shows a Cabinet Minister swinging gracefully on the parallel bars—Herr Hess, the Führer's Deputy, competing for the Reich Sport Badge. Except for the addition of a small swastika, the Reich Sport Badge is not new; it was introduced into Germany from Sweden several years before the Nazis were able to reorganise German sport. Now is the encouragement given to Germans to win it. The War Minister announced a few days ago that it might be worn with military uniform. Herr Hess has shown his interest.

The badge is not easily won. The successful competitor is required to be an all-round athlete who excels at one particular sport. He must be able to swim and throw a fair distance; prove his endurance and swiftness as either swimmer, runner, or cyclist; and lastly, display his pre-eminence at one sport, whether it be tennis, hockey, football, rowing, skating, or any other. If he is under thirty, his badge will be of bronze. If he is between thirty and forty, it will be of silver. If he is over forty, his "fair round belly with good capon lined," his achievement will be rewarded with a badge of gold. To-day some 400,000 men (roughly as many as compose the German army) are entitled to wear the badge. As a result of official encouragement the number is steadily increasing.

It is in organising sport with earnest thoroughness, and in persuading the public with the urgent trumpets of propaganda that physical development by means of communal games and exercises is no less than a civic duty, that the Nazi Government's attitude towards sport differs from that of its predecessors.

In pre-Nazi days a department in the Ministry for the Interior dealt

with any problems that arose concerning sport. Its Nazi successor, the Reichsministerium für die deutsche Bewegung, is responsible to the same Ministry. But the Reichsministerium occupies a six-storey building of its own in the Hardenbergstrasse near the busy traffic junction of Knie. From here the Reich Sport Leader and his staff supervise the organisation of German sport, including the distribution of the Reich Sport Badge and the elaborate preparations for the Olympic Games.

Herr von Tschammer und Osten emphasises that his duties are strictly supervisory and representative, and that the general rather than the particular. The President of the German Football League, for instance, is elected by the member clubs, and the choice then submitted to the Reich Sport Leader for ratification. This procedure is followed in other branches of sport. The Reichsministerium is engaged chiefly in fostering sport and unifying its organisation. One of the first things it has aimed at is to abolish leagues and clubs of which membership depended on the "class" religious or

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## HITS UP 231

### Flays Bowling AUSTRALIANS

#### MAY LOSE

Johannesburg, Dec. 27. Cricket history was made here to-day by A. D. Nourse, the South African batsman, when, in South Africa's second innings of the second Test match against Australia he scored 231. It established a new record for the highest individual innings played by a South African against Australia in Test cricket, the previous best being C. A. Faulkner's 204, compiled at Melbourne in 1910-11.

Largely as a result of Nourse's grand innings South Africa brought victory within their grasp. They made the huge total of 491, which is the second highest score ever made by South Africa against the Australians, and the best ever compiled in a second innings.

This left the Australians to score 399 to win, and at the close of play they had hit up 85 for the loss of one wicket, on a wearing pitch.

#### BOWLERS HUMILIATED

Ten thousand spectators cheered A. D. Nourse first to his century and then to his second hundred. He made his runs in 258 minutes, and was so brilliant all round the wicket that he completely humiliated the Australian bowlers.

No less than 36 boundaries stood to his credit when his grand innings came to a close. When he had scored 225 Nourse was struck in the stomach with a fast ball and was obviously suffering great pain, but he continued and added another six runs before being out.

The Australians set about their imposing task of scoring 399 to win in resolute fashion and Stanley McCabe batted in his last manner to hit up 50 not out. Australia now require 314 runs to win with nine wickets in hand.

#### PREVIOUS RECORDS

It is interesting to note that Nourse's double century is the second only to be scored by a South African in Test cricket. After Faulkner's innings of 204, the previous best made against Australia is C. N. Frank's 162 at Johannesburg in 1921-2. Four innings of over 200 have been recorded by Australians against South Africa. Don Bradman holds the record with 290 not out made at Adelaide in 1931-2, and he also hit up 208 at Brisbane in the same series. The previous best was Victor Trumper's 214 not out put at Johannesburg in 1910, while in 1922-3 H. G. Collins scored 203 at Johannesburg, this being the first double century to be scored in Test cricket on South African soil.

#### LADIES' HOCKEY

#### St. Andrew's Team For To-day

The following will represent St. Andrew's Ladies in a hockey match against the Y.M.C.A. Ladies on Y.M.C.A. ground, King's Park at 3 p.m. to-day: Mrs. R. Ross, G. White and R. Stephenson. M. Churn, J. Wong and L. Torpe. F. Wong, N. Lee, P. Gittins, J. Booker and I. Gittins.



A. D. Nourse ... scored a brilliant 231 made the Australians yesterday.

## SOCCER FOOTBALL CHANGES

### SHIELD REPLAYS TO-DAY

Two first division league matches which were originally arranged for to-day and one game in the second division fixed for to-morrow, have been postponed as arrangements have been made for two Shield fixtures to be replayed over the week-end.

This afternoon St. Joseph's and the Club de Recoelo meet for the second time in the Senior Shield Competition, the first match having been left drawn without score. The teams will again meet on the Kowloon Football Club's ground, at 4 p.m.

W. R. Reynolds has been appointed referee of the match, with W. Collier and T. Davies as the linesmen.

To-morrow the Junior Shield replay between South China and Eastern, who drew 1-1, will take place on the Sookunpo ground, commencing at 2.30 p.m. with R. I. Evans as referee.

As a result of the re-arrangement of these two matches three League games have had to be postponed. The match between Kowloon and St. Joseph's and the game between the Club de Recoelo and the Lincolns fixed for this afternoon will not take place until later in the season, while to-morrow's second division match between the Royal Welch Fusiliers and Eastern has also been postponed.

Owing to the impending departure of the Lincolnshire Regiment, the second and third division matches for this afternoon between the Lincolns and Chinese Athletic, and the Lincolns and the Chinese Police, have been postponed. These fixtures will, in due course, be fulfilled by the Royal Ulster Rifles.

### TICKET RUSH FOR BIG FIGHT

#### Cheaper Seats Sold Out

Although Jack Peterson, holder, and Len Harvey do not meet until January 29 in their third fight at the Empire Pool, Wembley, for the British heavy-weight championship, the rush for tickets has already begun.

Three thousand five hundred seats were allocated at 12s. each and these have all been sold. Actually more than 6,000 applications have been received and every post adds to the number.

There has also been a big demand for seats at 21s., 35s., and three and five guineas, and it is a long time since any fight aroused so much interest.

Harvey and Peterson have met twice already, and each has won and lost once.

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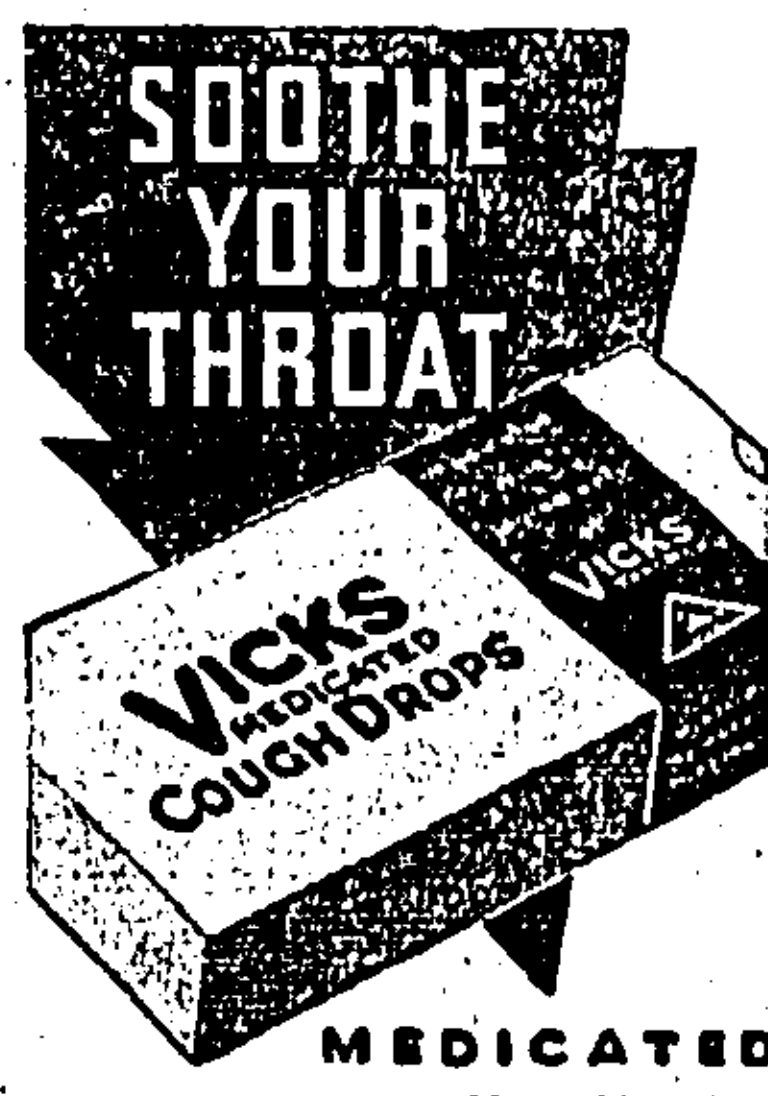
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## CENTRAL AUTHORITY NEEDED TO RUN CRICKET LEAGUE

### COME-AND-HAVE-A-CUP-OF-TEA FIXTURE MAKING

HOW HAVE I. R. C. MANAGED TO GET  
SEVEN HOME MATCHES?

(By R. Abbit)

Owing to the incidence of Christmas holidays and that sort of thing I am afraid that my Cricket Notes have got a bit astray. However, these will, I hope, be in print before noon on Saturday. There is not very much however to deal with that is not old news!

The Club and Army match will be continued at 1.30 p.m. (and not at 2 p.m. as I stated yesterday), but as I said yesterday there is little chance of a decision unless there is a collapse somewhere. The feat of J. P. Williams, their regular number one bat, and C.S.M. Elvin, their regular number eleven bat, in putting up a hundred and six runs for the first wicket is really remarkable, though of course, had the Club fielding been in anyway up to form it would never have happened. I have seldom seen dropped catches so penalized.

#### LEAGUE GAMES

As far as I can make out the only Senior League Game is the one between the I.R.C. (at home) and the Civil Service. The game, as shown in the C.S.C. and was fixed on their ground on December 1 and I do not know whether there has been a mix up or whether the game has just been postponed. It seems curious that it has been transferred to the Sookinpong ground. In some marvellous way the Indians have arranged that all their seven league matches will be played at home! I should, I confess, like to know how it was worked. It is becoming clearer and clearer to me as the season goes on that either some central authority has got to take hold and run the League competently, and this involves arranging all fixtures, or else that it had better be washed out altogether. This "Polly come and have a cup of tea" way of fixing things up and then altering them all is ruining the interest in the game.

The only other game of which I have any information is a non-league one between the K.C.C. at home, and Cranfengower. Both home sides should win, I think. Griffiths is back and may be playing for the C.S.C. but I am loath to hear that he is still banking after his finger. I thought he had grown out of it, especially as he did uncommonly well at home at the game, scoring, I believe, very nearly a thousand runs in good old cricket. It is really heart breaking to see the claims of heart breaking ruined so many useful cricketers. It is a good enough game—in fact perhaps the best up to twenty-five or so, if you have only a distant turn for cricket, but after then I am inclined to call cricket the better game.

#### JUNIOR LEAGUE

C.S.C., Police and University are all at home, their opponents being respectively I.R.C., Cranfengower and H.K.C.C. Apart from the Police (if they can field a full team) I think home teams will lose. I had intended to say a few words about the Army and Navy match but it is by now such ancient history that I will merely remark that all went according to plan. Branwell did not come off—he never seems to do so now against useful bowling, and the Navy were badly beaten. I know it was only five wickets but the Army second innings was not very serious and the order was reversed. I will finish the Club—Army Match on Tuesday.

#### ALL BLACKS TEAM

To Play England  
At Twickenham

London, Dec. 27.  
The All Blacks Rugby XV against England at Twickenham on January 4 will be represented by Gilbert Ball, Oliver Mitchell, Coughney, Tindill, Corner, Lambourn, Hadley, Hore, Manchester, King, Reid, McClean, and an athlete will be converted into local Mahoney.—*Reuter*.

### Wong & Khoo Win Manila Tennis Title

#### METROPOLITAN DOUBLES

Manila, Dec. 24.

Khoo Hooi Hye and V. T. Wong, visiting tennis aces of the Shanghai Tennis Club, won the 1935 Metropolitan men's tennis doubles championship yesterday afternoon, defeating Guillermo Aragon and Mauricio Zamora in an interesting four-set match at the Laong Lann courts. The local pair succumbed to the visitors by the scores of 1-6, 6-3, 6-3, and 6-2.

In another corking match of the afternoon Minda Ochoa, national woman singles champion, added the 1935 Metropolitan women's singles tournament to her tennis triumphs by defeating Irigard Baumann, 2 sets to 1. The scores were 6-4, 4-6 and 6-2. Although outclassed by her opponent, Miss Baumann put up a grand fight. With Miss Ochoa leading, 4-0, in the second set Miss Baumann staged a brilliant rally, winning six games in a row to win the set.

Well played lobs and clever drop shots by the Chinese pair and excellent work at the net by Zamora and Aragon featured the final match of the men's double competition. The Chinese players forced the local combination to err most of the way by their lobs.

After losing the first game of the first set, 1-0, Aragon and Zamora retaliated in grand fashion. Zamora's clever work at the net and Aragon's timely placements enabled the local pair to win six games in succession and the set. The Chinese combination started strong in the second set, winning the first three games. From then on the scores saw-sawed with both pairs setting a fast pace. The locals cracked when Zamora double-faulted twice in a row during his service and the Chinese annexed the set, 6-3.

Play in the third set was much closer with the local pair putting forth a fine come-back. The Chinese won the set, 6-2. In the fourth set the visitors had things their own way and took the set at 6-2 to cap the match and title.

Last Saturday Khoo and Wong defeated Leopoldo Callisto and Jose M. Barredo, 6-1, 6-1, 6-0, to enter the finals, while Aragon and Zamora eked out a close victory over Mariano Scervillo and Rodrigo Diniz, 6-4, 7-5, 7-5.

#### PATAUDI AND NEXT YEAR'S TESTS

#### ASKS PERMISSION TO PLAY FOR INDIA

A formal application has been received by the Board of Cricket Control asking that the Nawab of Pataudi, who has played for England in Test matches, should be allowed to play for India against England in next year's Tests. Without special permission Pataudi in the circumstances cannot play for his native country. Consent to this application is now purely a formal matter.

### YACHT RACE TO MACAO

WON BY MR. E.  
COCK

#### FOR SECOND TIME

Mr. E. Cock, sailing his own ketch, Sea Lark V, won the annual race to Macao and back for cruisers belonging to members of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, repeating his feat of last year.

Actually the U. and I. sailed by Mr. H. S. Rouse, was the first to cross the finishing line, followed closely by La Cigale (Mr. N. Croucher), but the Sea Lark V won on corrected time.

The elapsed time for U. and I. was 16 hours, 21 minutes and 38 seconds, while that of the La Cigale was 16 hours, 23 minutes and seven seconds. It will be noticed that the corrected times run very close.

Conditions were ideal for the race, which is an annual event for the Potts Challenge Cup. All the competitors considered this year's race one of the finest Macao races ever sailed.

Sixteen yachts started for the race as compared with 15 last year, and only one, Cherub, sailed by Mr. I. W. Sheehan, did not finish.

Mrs. Rouse has kindly presented a clock as a prize for the first yacht over the line. The winner on corrected time and the U. and I. not being eligible—Mrs. Rouse is the wife of the owner of the latter craft—the clock was therefore won by Mr. N. Croucher with La Cigale.

#### The results follow:

	Finishing Time	Corrected Time
Sea Lark V. ....	23.13.21	22.17.19
(Mr. E. Cock)		
U. and I. ....	22.51.38	22.31.40
(Mr. H. S. Rouse)		
Typhoon ....	00.13.32	22.33.11
(Sq. Leader Kearny)		
La Cigale ....	22.53.07	22.53.07
(Mr. N. Croucher)		
Penguin ....	00.41.58	22.58.46
(Col. L. C. Lewis)		
Wanderer ....	23.19.55	23.04.05
(Mr. Tilley)		
Norseman ....	01.44.57	23.55.27
(Mr. L. F. Nicholson)		

### Nazi Organisation Of Sport

(Continued from Page 8.)

political convictions. The strictly Roman Catholic, Protestant, Communist, and Socialist sport clubs, of which played within exclusive leagues, have almost all disappeared.

#### MORE PLAYING SPORT

In the early days of the Nazi revolution the Reichswehrsport had to concern itself to some extent with the organisation of the then very popular *Reichswehrsport*—a euphemism for cross-country activities closely resembling military manoeuvres. With the introduction of conscription and the real thing, *Geländesport* has virtually ceased. Indeed, the War Ministry has asked the *Reichswehrsport* to discourage *Geländesport* wherever found; military training, it is firmly claimed, is the army's undisputed prerogative. Nevertheless, one still hears many people advocating sport because it helps to make the player *wehrhaft*, or, plainly speaking, a better soldier. There is no doubt that as a result of Nazi supervision and encouragement many more Germans are taking part in sport to-day than did two or three years ago. Boys and girls are compelled to play games at school. Nearly all but a few are members of the *Jugendkraft*, the Hitler Youth, or the League of German Girls, which organise for them still more games and athletic contests. On October 1 sport became compulsory for all university students. According to the first draft of the law, the students were expected, among other things, to learn how to handle a light rifle. With the return to conscription this part of the law was revised. But the university student is compelled to acquire himself as an all-round sportsman. A Professor of

### COURSE IMPROVEMENT

New Railings Constructed  
For Valley Race Track

By the time the Annual Race Meeting, which will be held on February 22, 24, 25, 26 and 29, comes round, officials of the Hongkong Jockey Club hope that a complete change of railings round the tracks at Happy Valley will have been made.

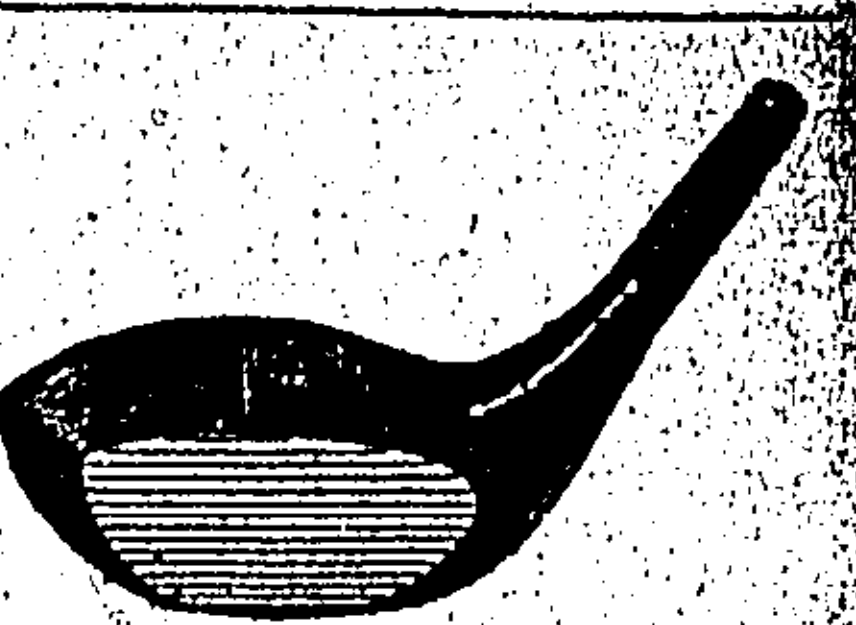
In former years the tracks were fenced by wooden railings which, because of their size and unworkability, were not very satisfactory in that they did not provide the course with easy bends. With the view to improving the course, the Jockey Club changed the railings on the grass track some time ago.

Instead of using the same type of round posts, the Jockey Club made them thinner and square, and the supports were of iron instead of wood.

This arrangement, used hitherto on the grass track only, has proved satisfactory and it was decided recently to have it on the sand track as well. It is hoped that by the time the annual race carnival takes place all the railings will be of the new type.

No efforts are being spared to keep the race track in as good a condition as possible. During the last few meetings a portion of the track, from the bend into the straight, was reserved in order to give the grass a chance to grow. The rail marking this reservation has now been taken down, thus affording a wider bend for the annual races, when big fields are expected.

Azuma ....	00.15.38	00.07.15
(Mr. E. B. Lambert)		
Moonsoon ....	02.13.17	00.11.36
(Mr. H. W. Duley)		
Mistral ....	02.37.26	00.42.41
(Mr. A. G. Danziel)		
Quest ....	04.47.35	00.53.22
(Mr. W. F. Webb)		
Sai Long ....	02.55.20	00.58.48
(Capt. W. W. Cowan)		
Cutty ....	04.02.40	01.50.24
(Mr. F. C. Manning)		
Tern ....	05.19.40	03.08.42
(Capt. P. F. Foley)		
Luanse ....	04.18.31	04.02.11
(Mr. A. L. Shields)		
Cherub ....	Did Not Finish	
(Mr. I. W. Sheehan)		



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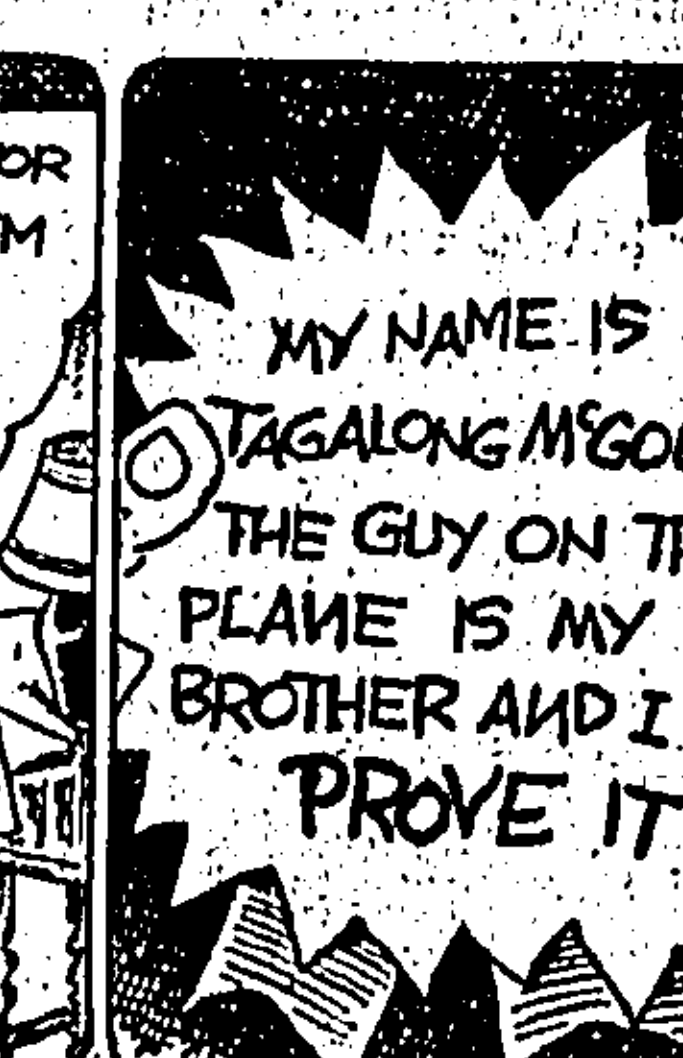
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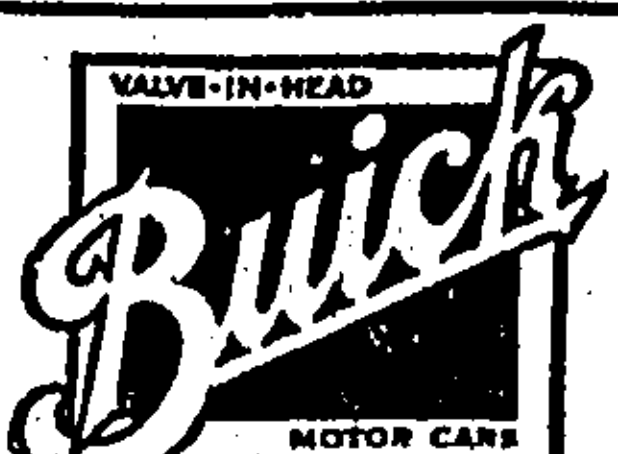


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#### The St. John Ambulance Medical Work

(To The Editor,  
Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir,—As Secretary of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade I have been requested to refute absolutely as without a shadow of foundation the rumour which is being circulated by some "gossip" that the Government is taking over all the St. John Clinics in the New Territories. The population of the New Territories is well over 70,000 and the villages are scattered far and wide, too much for any one organisation to cope with.

The Aw Par Hospital at Cheung Chau which is mainly for the women and children of the seafaring class and of the neighbouring islands is the sole property of the St. John Ambulance Association.

Furthermore, the Hon. Director of Medical and Sanitary Services is President of the St. John Ambulance Association in Hongkong, and the Deputy Director is Brigade Surgeon, while other Government doctors are also members of the Brigade and are willing at any time to assist in any emergency, so that there is the greatest of harmony and co-operation and not discord as "gossip" would like to infer.

The truth is that on account of financial depression we may be compelled to close down clinics which are by the roadside and which are easy of access to the Ho Tung Clinic. But those villages far from the beaten track and where the villagers are without means of medical assistance will be definitely kept open while it is possible, as will the maternity hospitals and children's wards where day by day life is saved.

I would like to inform uncharitable gossip that when a village was informed of the possibility of closing down the clinic the women met me on one of my visits, and many cried at the thought of being deprived of the assistance of a nurse.

The rumour is uncharitable as it tends to keep away urgently needed subscriptions, and so deprive an expectant mother or a sick baby stricken down in an isolated place without the hope of medical aid. In Hongkong there are Government hospitals and others where any one may specially obtain help.

But the thing which has "hit" our members most over this rumour is the implied condemnation of our work as a whole, especially the work of our director who sacrificed the opportunity of a peaceful retirement in England to devote his whole life in personal

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Mrs. Arthur Woo	20
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The Street Sleepers' Shelter Society begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations:

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A Policeman from Paris	1
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In last week's list, a donation of \$50 was acknowledged from the Diocesan Girls' School. It should read as from the Annual Bazaar of the Diocesan Girls' School.

Further donations may be sent to the Editor of the S. C. M. Post to Mr. Andrew Cheung, 9 Norfolk Road, Kowloon Tong, or to Miss R. Mow Tung c/o Gilman & Co. Ltd.

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service for the benefit of the sick poor in the New Territories of Hongkong where the poverty stricken villagers are entitled to the same medical efforts as their more fortunate brethren of Hongkong itself, also an undesired slight on Brigade members who also sacrifice their well-earned evenings for the "sake of humanity." I invite for the "going" to come with me and I will take him to a certain village at evening time when the villagers return from the fields, and he will no longer begrudge what we are doing, and I will also show him babies suffering from malnutrition and tuberculosis; the night in some solitary hut with the doctor and nurse tending some poor unfortunate; (one of our nurses



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Babies' clothing is urgently needed, and above all donations—we do not receive one cent in the way of subsidy, as other charitable organisations do.

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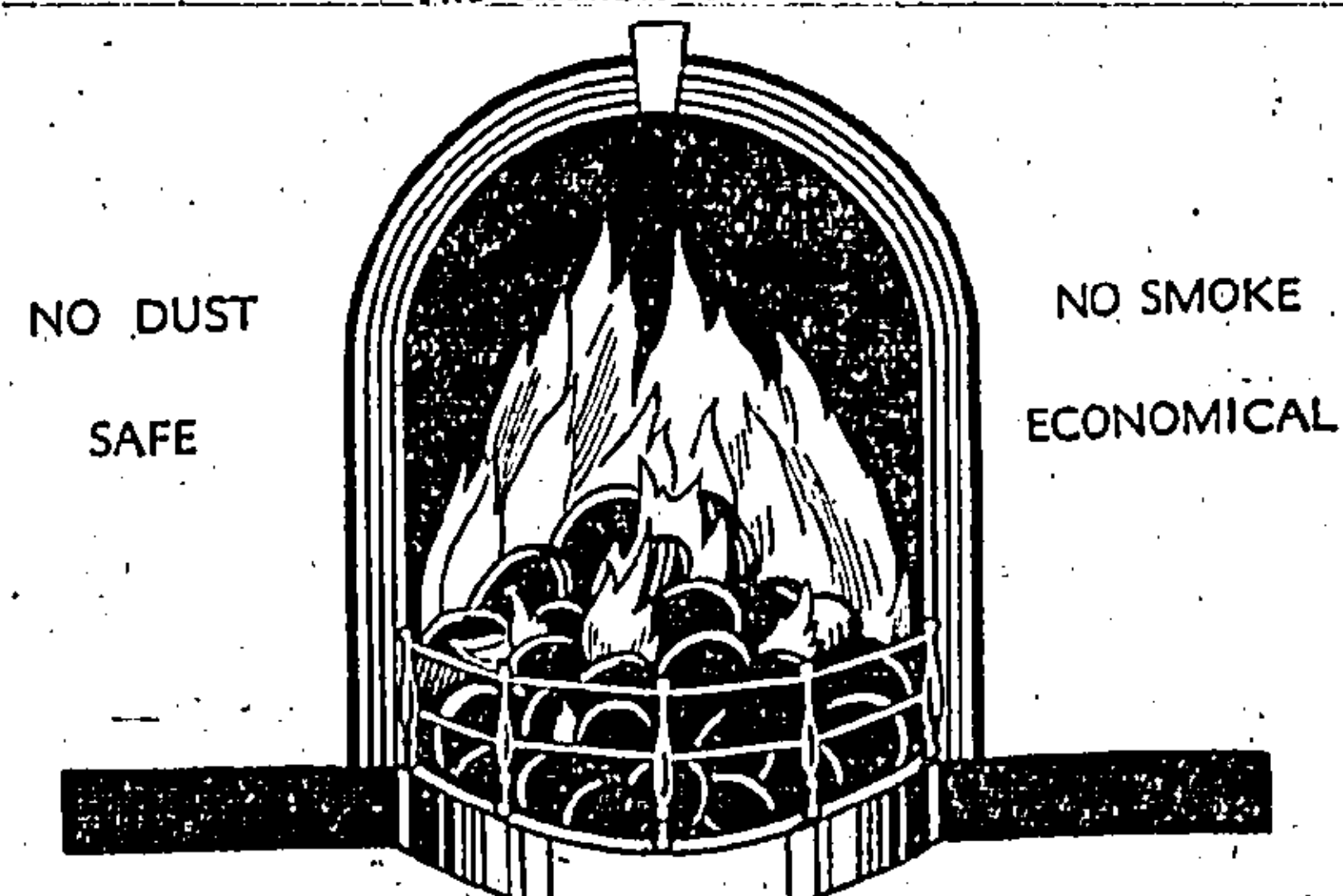
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## CINEMA NEWS

### NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

Proience and deception weave a tangled web in "Alice Adams" which stars Katharine Hepburn in the title role, and comes on Sunday to the King's Theatre. Based on the Booth Tarkington novel which won the Pulitzer Prize for 1922, the story is an unvarnished picture of the struggles and heartaches which a girl endures in her fight for love and social recognition in a small Mid-western town. Not since Miss Hepburn won the Academy Award with her portrayal of the stage-struck girl in "Morning Glory" has she had a role which gave her such opportunities for unusual characterization, sensitiveness and understanding. In the story, Alice Adams battles snobbery and social ostracism with pretence and decent, only to find that these weapons are useless. It is only when she drops her mask of make-believe and turns the light of truth upon her enemies that she wins the love and recognition which she craves. Her faith and courage and her struggle upward to ultimate triumph make for a great and entertaining picture. Each of the characters in "Alice Adams" is vividly drawn and capably played by well known screen and stage artists. Included in the cast are Fred Stone, famous stage star, Fred MacMurray, Eve-Iva Venable, Ann Shoemaker, Frank Albertson, Charles Grapewin and others. George Stevens directed this RKO-Radio Picture.

#### "Broadway Gondolier"

"Broadway Gondolier," Warner Bros. musical comedy, which reunites the popular stars of "Gold Diggers Of 1933," Dick Powell and Joan Blondell, closes at the Queen's Theatre to-day. In the all-star cast besides Dick and Joan are Adolphe Menjou, Louise Fazenda, William Gargan, George Barbier and Grant Mitchell. The story concerns the romance of a New York taxi-driver who aspires to be a singer, and the secretary of a big broadcasting concern, who falls in love with him and arranges an audition. A series of mix-ups prevents his appearance, and his teacher, a former singer and impoverished Italian aristocrat, sings for him. But his voice has gone sour and the taxi-driver loses out. It is not until he gets to Venice that he makes good, first as a singing gondolier and then in opera. He returns to New York and succeeds in one of the most unusual climaxes imaginable. Dick Powell, in the role of the gondolier, renders several songs in the production. Joan Blondell, as the secretary to the radio magnate sings a comedy song in the picture.

#### "Black Fury"

No other first line star in motion pictures has appeared in so few films as has Paul Muni. His latest First National picture, "Black Fury," now showing at the Star Theatre, is only his eighth production, yet he is considered one of the most important male stars in Hollywood. Muni averaged only one picture a season until this year when he made both "Black Fury" and "Bordertown." Six years ago Paul Muni was brought from the New York stage to Hollywood for the first time. On that trip he made two pictures, "The Valiant" and "Seven Faces." More than a year later he returned to star in "Scarface" and two years elapsed before he came back to the film city a third time to make "I Am A Fugitive From a Chain Gang." "The World Changes" and "Hi, Nellie!" followed, but with long intervals between. Muni is violently opposed to quantity production so far as his own stardom is concerned. He holds to his original decision never to make more than two pictures a year. "Black Fury" is his most dynamic production. It is a startling colourful drama in which he is supported by a tremendous cast.

#### "Metropolitan"

For sheer musical merit, no more distinguished picture has ever come from Hollywood than the Lawrence Tibbett starring vehicle, "Metropolitan," showing at the King's Theatre to-day. But "Metropolitan" doesn't rest on music alone. The picture which presents Tibbett in selections from such operatic favourites as "Pagliacci," "Carmen" and "Barber of Seville," also has a well-rounded plot, an engrossing love story, drama

and its full share of comedy. The plot of "Metropolitan" revolves about Tibbett's efforts as a young singer to gain recognition. Impatient with slow progress in the recognized opera companies, he attaches himself to a wildcat grand opera venture, starring Alice Brady, a tempestuous and vertiginous prima donna. She controls the money, holds the affection of the angel, but because Tibbett fails to reciprocate her affection his career and that of the entire company is threatened. His affection for Virginia Bruce only makes matters worse. Finally Miss Brady leaves the company in a huff. Stranded, Tibbett makes a heroic effort to put the company across, almost fails, and finally succeeds with Miss Bruce's aid. Personally produced by Harry F. Zerkow, "Metropolitan" was directed by Richard Boleslawski. Cesar Romero, Luis Alberni and George Marion, Sr., are prominently cast in the supporting roles.

#### "Picture Snatcher"

If the average man or woman were asked what a "Picture Snatcher" is, they would probably pass up the riddle without so much as an effort to guess its meaning. To most people it would have a double and somewhat illegitimate sound, like bootlegging, smuggling and the like. Nevertheless, picture snatchers and picture snatching play an important part in the life of a metropolitan newspaper. Broadly speaking, a picture snatcher in the slang of journalism, is anybody on the newspaper whose business is to get the pictures each day that are necessary to illustrate the important stories of the current twenty-four hours. Newspaper photographers are picture snatchers to their associates on a daily paper. The term is not necessarily anything more than an affectionate name for a certain type of fellow worker. There is also another class of picture snatcher who may never use a camera for months but whose duty is to run down pictorial matter of some sort or another in connection with a story, where such pictorial matter is known to be in existence, but for some reason or another is difficult to lay hands on. It is this variety of "picture snatching" that has brought the business into such disrepute. Such a "Picture Snatcher" is the one portrayed with startling realism by James Cagney in his latest Warner Bros. production which bears that name and opening at the Queen's to-morrow.

#### "Star of Midnight"

William Powell and Ginger Rogers is the double-star value offered the fans for the first time. This strong, romantic combination appears in "Star of Midnight," a romantic mystery drama based on an Arthur Somers Roche story brought to the screen by RKO-Radio. Powell and Miss Rogers are seen as a unique amateur detective duo who vie with police in the effort to solve a perplexing mystery. With more at stake than mere credit for cleverness, for they are caught in the web of circumstance, Powell, as a brilliant attorney, is the "Sherlock" of the combination, and Miss Rogers, as a youthful society beauty, is the admiring "Watson." Romance, sparkling comedy mystery and suspense are factors in the swift moving, thrill packed story. Included in the supporting cast are Paul Kelly, Ralph Morgan, Leslie Fenton, Gene Lockhart, Vivian Oakland, Russell Hopton and J. Farrell MacDonald. Stephen Roberts directed. The film is the next change at the Star Theatre.

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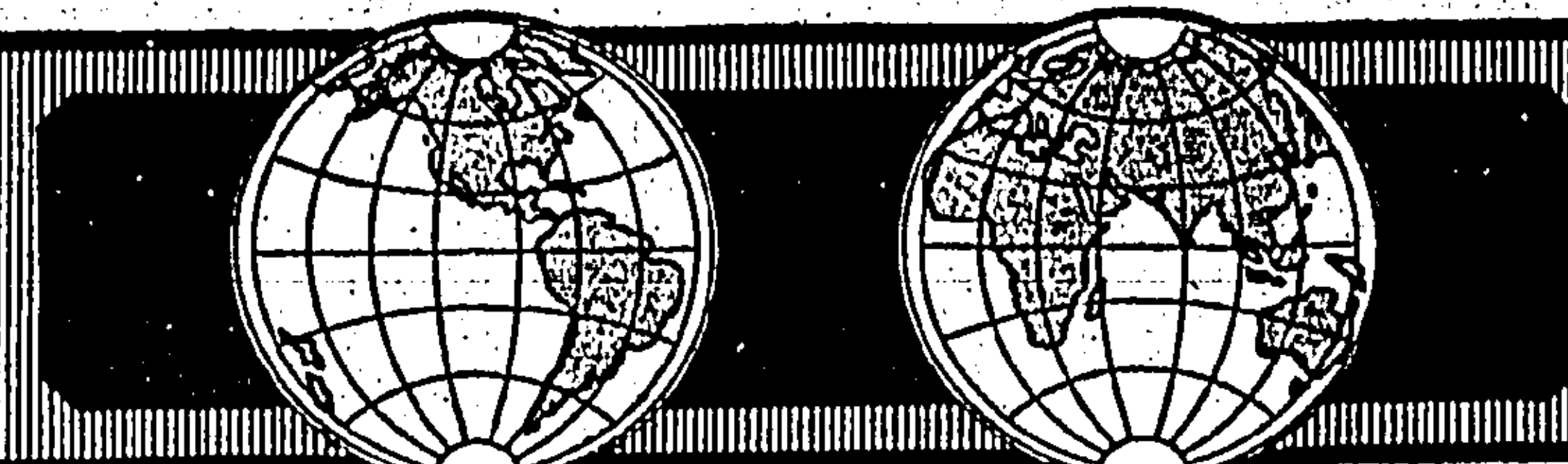
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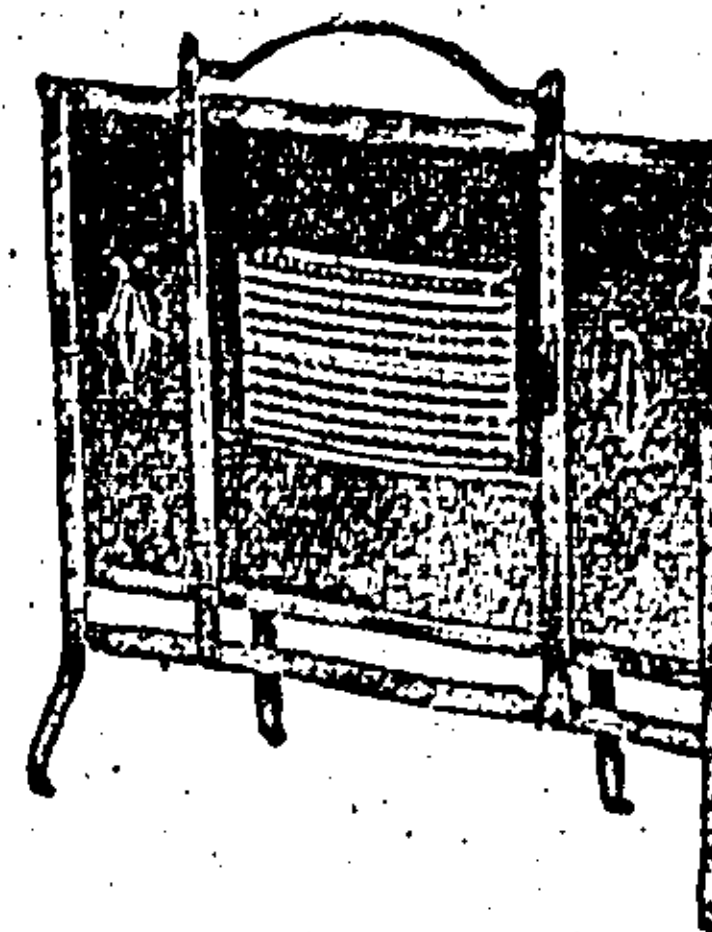
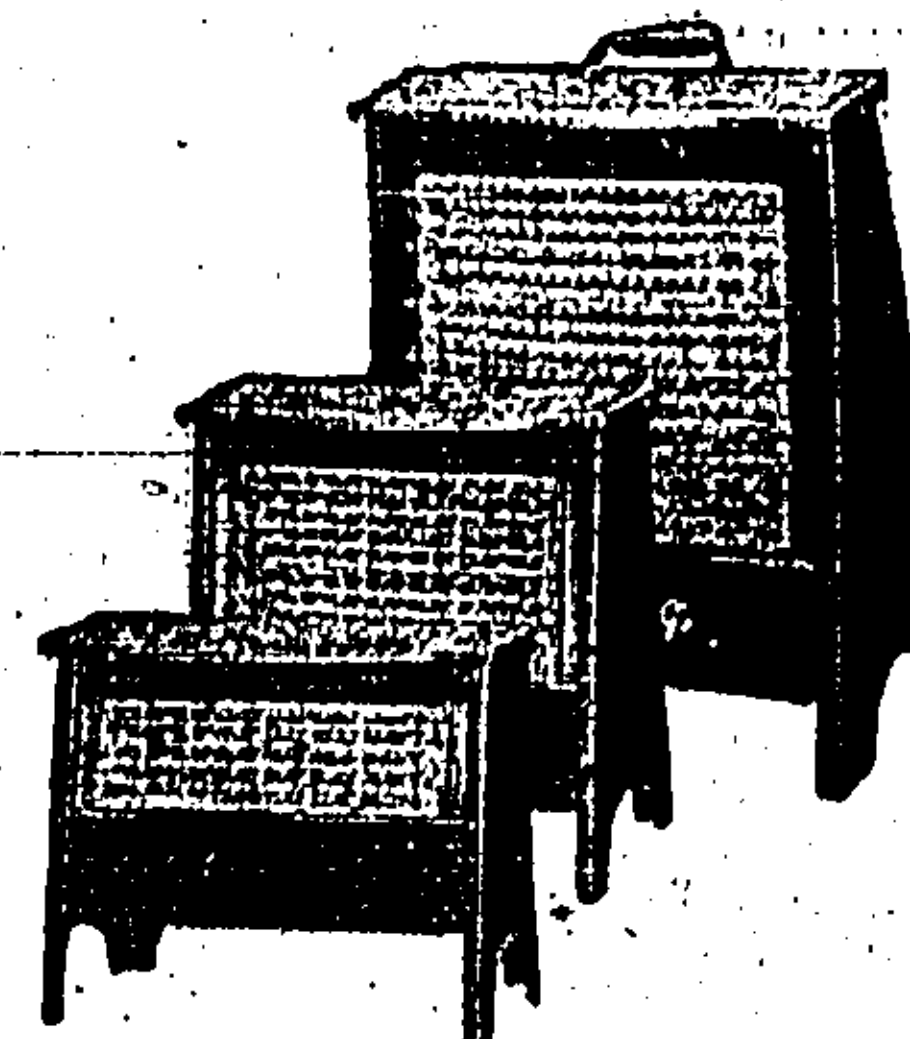
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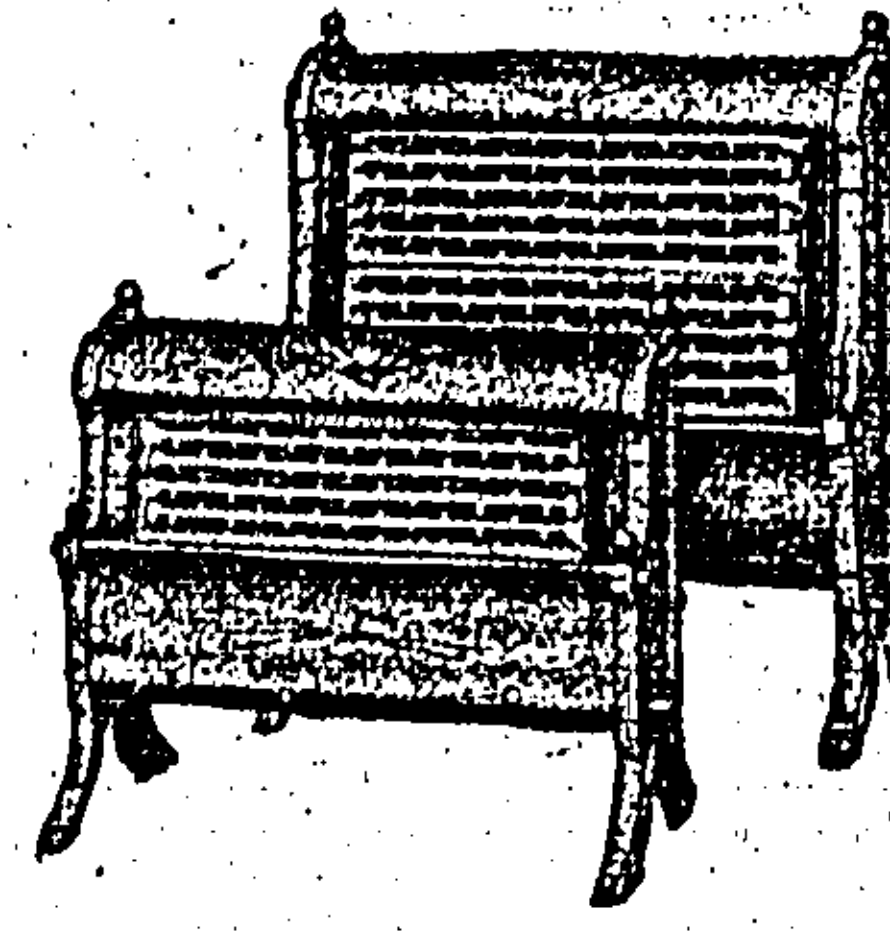
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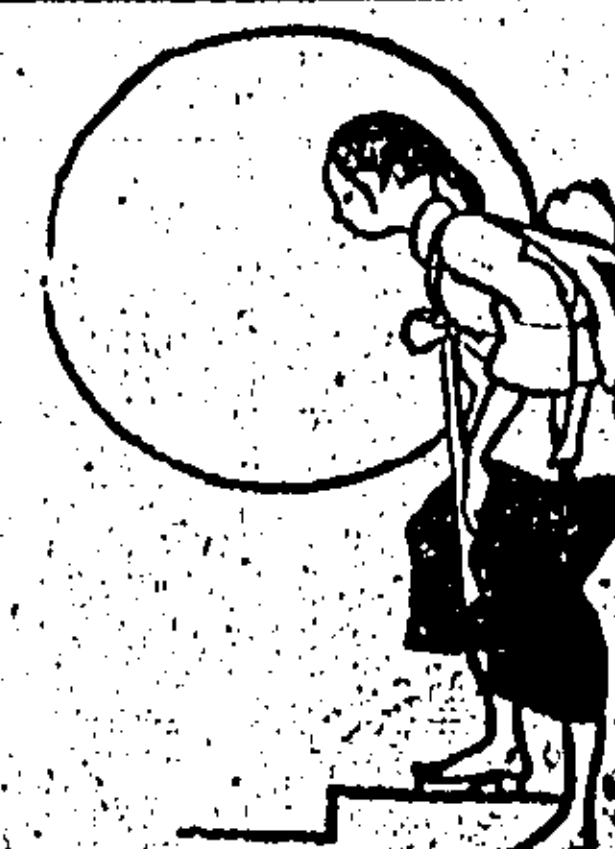


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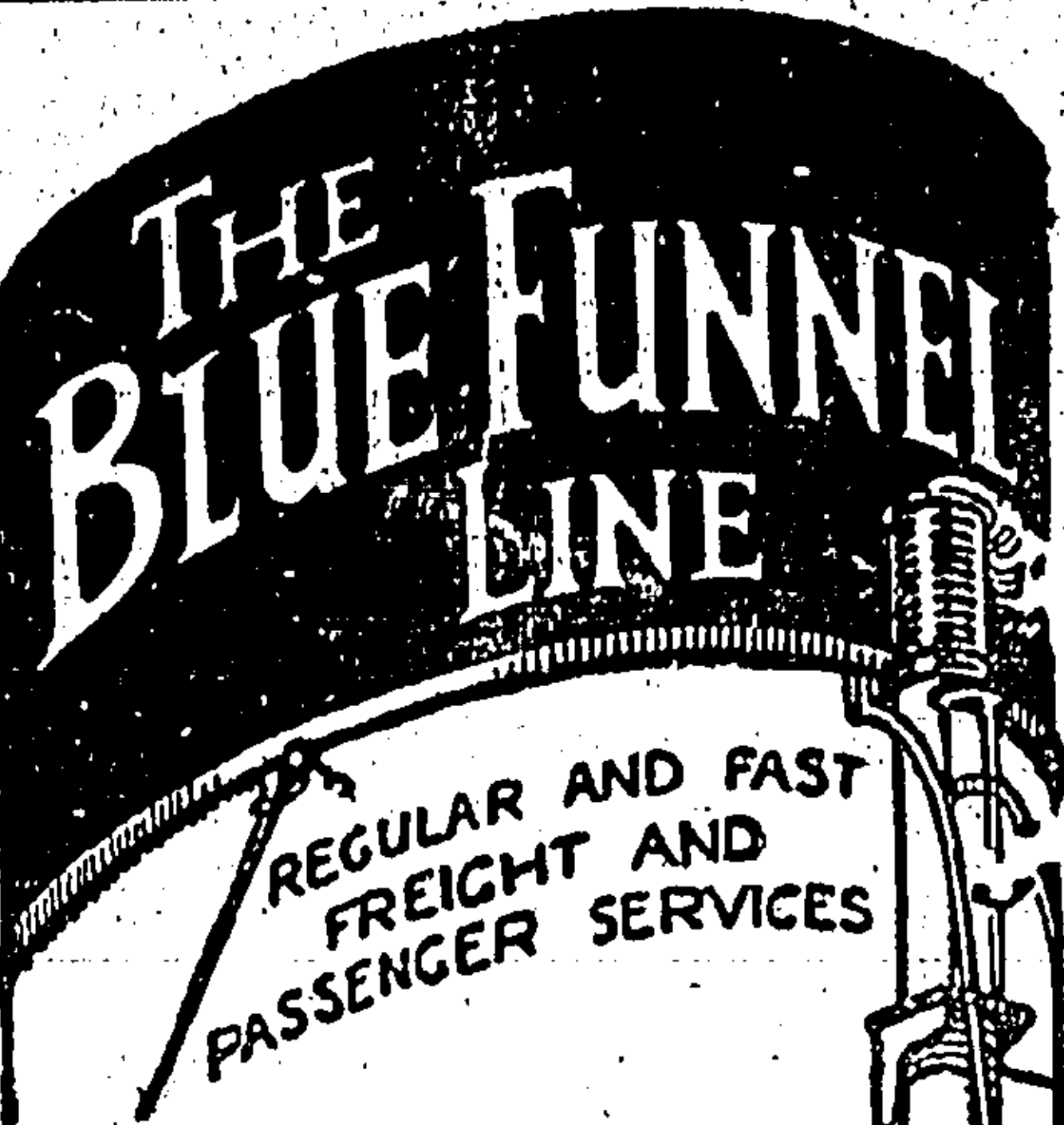
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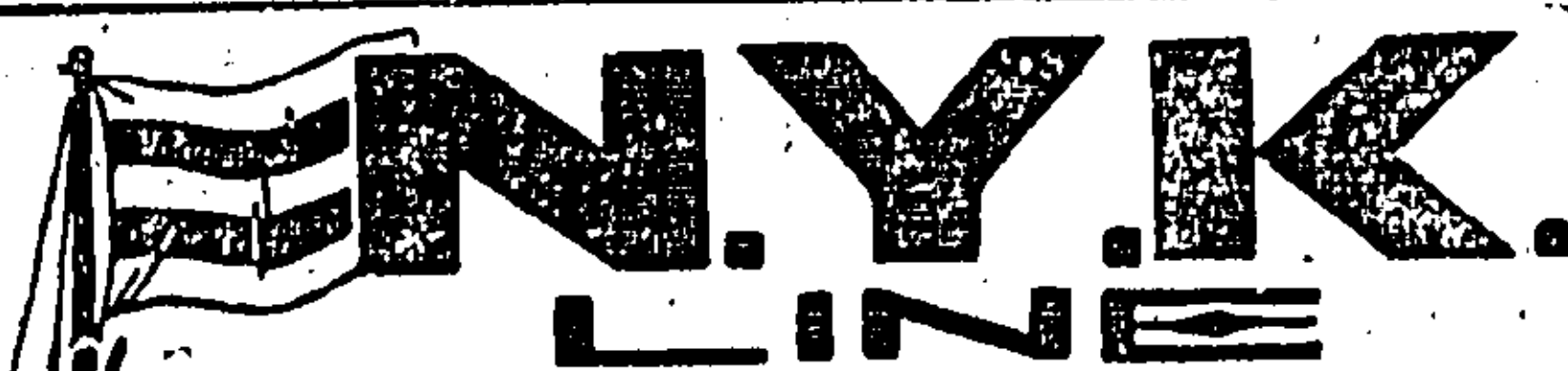
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#### BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

BARRETT COLVIN, back in New York after years abroad, tells to his 20-year-old ELLINOR STAFFORD, Barrett is 35, old-fashioned, and has made a name for himself as an archaeologist.

LIDA STAFFORD, Elinor's beautiful mother, has kept the girl in the background, waiting attention for herself. Lida is carrying on a flirtation with VANCE CARTELL and constantly scheming to keep in the good graces of rich MISS ELLA SEXTON, her husband's aunt, in order to inherit a share of the Sexton fortune.

Years before Barrett added his half-sister, MARCELA, a youthful romance with Barrett's father, who had a son whom Barrett adopted. She tells Barrett that if her husband ever learns of the affair he will never forgive her.

Elinor's mother goes to Miami for three weeks. When she returns, she deliberately tries to break up the romance between Barrett and Elinor and succeeds. The girl is heart-broken because she does not hear from him. Barrett, who is heart-broken, is heart-broken because he does not hear from her. Barrett, who is heart-broken, is heart-broken because he does not hear from her.

#### CHAPTER XVI

Elinor had never had such a session with her mother as that on the drive home from Miss Ella's. She said again and again, "Mother, please stop staring!" but it made no impression. The chauffeur's face reddened from the strain of men and women in the car. Lida's voice was so loud and high-pitched it could be heard through the glass. "I pity that girl!" the chauffeur thought. "I pity that thought was an old one that frequently became a chant when the servants were together."

Now Lida was laughing—a shrill, sneering, hysterical laugh. So far as the chauffeur could hear there had been no reply at all from Miss Elinor. He sympathized with the girl even more deeply as he opened the door of the car a little later. Lida swept into the building, brittle and strong from her flaming anger. Elinor crept after her, her face paper-white.

"For a moment," the chauffeur told the butler later, "I thought she was going to fall—poor kid!" Elinor's reactions were divided. In one way she was glad that she had done what she had. For another reason she deeply regretted it. Lida had said, eyes narrowing and glittering, "Think of your father! The way he has slaved all his life. And now you—just a girl—have burned every chance he ever had for rest and independence!"

Elinor would even have liked to give her father all that he deserved. She would have liked to give him as well as she could. But it was too late. Barrett Colvin had not once looked at her. This realization crept between every separate recollection of the afternoon. She had stolen side glances at him, unable to help it. Each time he had seemed coldly composed, entirely unaware of her.

Two long days and longer nights stretched ahead. Elinor could not seem to sleep. On the morning following the second night Lida awoke to find the girl standing by her bed.

"Well, what is it?" Lida asked, sitting up. "You look like a ghost, being disturbed so early." "Aunt Ella's gone," Elinor said. Lida sat up. She laughed shrilly. "A pretty time you chose!" she began. It was the old story Elinor had heard so often during those two dreary days. A story of her having ruined her parents' future.

Lida punctuated her diatribe with questions. "And you knew perfectly well how she felt—who telephoned?" "Craven, Miss Smythe is protesting—" "Miss Smythe protesting! How delicious! Your father can't go to the office? He knows that?" "Yes."

"He'll probably be cut off without a cent—as you know. And of course you know why too but, even though he gets nothing, he must keep up appearances. I haven't a decent black dress. Has Bessie telephoned?" "No."

"That's odd. I suppose she thinks since they will be the heirs that we are beneath notice. No doubt she's heard of your part in what happened. Hand me your neglected! Another thing—"

Celeste, whom Lida had summoned a moment before, appeared then and Lida exclaimed, "I've been waiting 10 minutes, Celeste!" She must hurry to the house, Lida realized. There she would have, at least, the satisfaction of treating Miss Smythe with the contempt she felt for her.

"Are you going to run my bath, Celeste?" Lida demanded. The maid looked at Elinor who seemed to be shabby, a child, her shabby negligence, a child, Celeste knew that she could leave but Elinor could not. Ah, but Celeste had regretted it when the visit of that tall, dark-looking Mr. Colvin ceased.

Elinor went to her own, much smaller room. She sat on the edge of her narrow bed and stared at a worn rug. Perhaps she had—ruined all hope of rest for her father. She heard her mother leaving, heard angry orders flung across a shoulder. Then there was quiet. She must dress, she knew, but delayed, sickened by the thought of what she might have done to her father by smoking that one cigarette. He deserved some of her aunt's vast fortune. He had worked hard all his life, driven by Lida's never-ending needs.

Elinor twisted her hands in misery. Celeste appeared, her eyes pitying. Ah—she with all the rest knew the story!

"I brought a little breakfast for you, Mademoiselle—in the small room on the tray." Mademoiselle must eat, Celeste reminded. For a second she forgot she was a servant to remember that Elinor was young and suffering and at her side.

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smartness of her own black attire. She studied Barrett Colvin who was staring at his hands, gripped between knees. It was amazing, Lida thought, to realize how easily he had been managed. She supposed she was in for a bad half hour with Vance Cartier who would remind her of that promise to divorce Barrett—a thing she intended to do in time but only when the right man appeared. How white Elinor was! And how stuffy Barrett looked. Sentimental fool—he was actually blinking!

What a perfect old dodo the clergyman was! Well, Lida knew her share wouldn't be diminished by him, who, despite Miss Ella's stern disapproval, had had candles placed upon the altar.

The clergyman was droning. "We brought nothing into this world and it is certain we carry nothing out. The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away!"

Lida looked extremely pensive because she wanted to smile. So terribly apt, that remark! Just an hour or two more and they'd all hear the will. Thank God, she heard Mr. Grotter speak to Barrett Colvin before the opening of the service to ask him to stay for the reading of the will. It had made Lida a little uneasy. But, doubtless Aunt Ella had left him a gilt-edged what-barely or a steel engraving of Pickett's charge at Gettysburg.

The drive to the burial ground was long and cold, despite the heat in the cars. The snow that had lain for several days had a ceiling of soot. The open grave and the damp earth were depressing. Even Lida felt the dreariness in such passing. She saw Elinor and saw Barrett Colvin's anxious eyes on the girl.

Then the coffin was lowered. There was the thud of earth on the lid—and the gloomy affair was over. An hour later Mr. Grotter stood, long fingers tapping the chenille cover of the library table. They were all there before him—Bessie, Jim, Barrett, Lida, Barrett Colvin, Miss Smythe, and the servants.

Lida, assured and half-smiling, was thinking that she might take a house at Cannes for the remainder of the winter with her share. Bessie was hoping there would be enough to make things easier for Jim. Jim was considering a house with more room around it. The children needed space in which to play. Barrett Colvin thought of nothing but the fact that he must not show what he felt, must not even look at Elinor, sitting beside her father who reeked of Scotch and snarled a little, walking.

Mr. Grotter cleared his throat. The rustling and motion ceased; tension was in the air. Mr. Grotter began reading a long preamble in which Miss Ella rendered to God her gratitude for being all that she had been.

Then the servants were mentioned. "So stuffy!" Lida decided, twisting her gloves which she had taken off, knowing how her hands looked against the black she wore. She heard the amounts which had been left the servants—with growing resentment. So pointless, Lida reflected. Such people were happier working. Imagine \$20,000 for Craven! And the interest from a soundly invested \$100,000 for Miss Smythe for life. It was amazing.

The lawyer cleared his throat again. Ah—now they would hear the rest!

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## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

## SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship, "YALOU"

Bringing Cargo from Marseille &c., arrived Hongkong on Tuesday, 24th December, 1935.

Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

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Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.  
 R. OHL, Agent.  
 Hongkong, 24th December, 1935.

## NEWS IN PHOTOGRAPHS

## Egyptian Constitution Refused By Britain



Anti-British rioting that broke out in and about Cairo, developed a political situation which had in it grave possibilities for England. Premier Nassim Pasha refused to resign his post following a mass meeting of the Wafd party, Egypt's independence organization. The Wafdists, comprising 90 per cent. of the electorate, have resolved to push a nation-wide boycott of everything British in protest against Britain's refusal to give Egypt a constitution. Sir Miles W. Lampson is the British High Commissioner for Egypt and the Sudan.

## Giant Clipper Preens For First Macao Flight



Some idea of the immense bulk of the 25-ton China Clipper can be gained from this closeup, showing Pan American Airways employees grooming her for the trans-Pacific air-mail service. The huge plane is scheduled to leave San Francisco Bay early in January for Macao, thus commencing the first flight from California to China. She has already flown twice to Manila.

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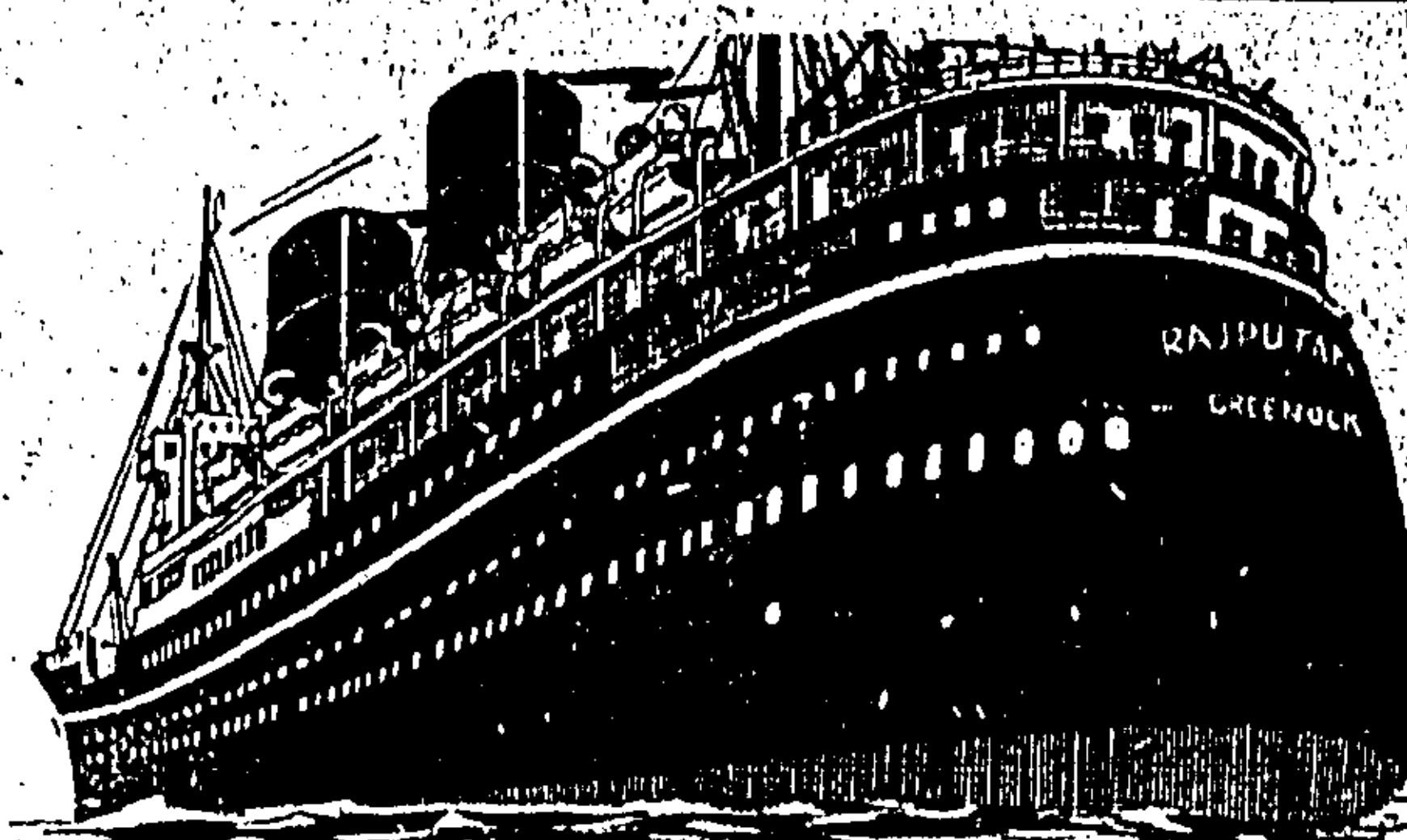
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## CROWN RENT PAYMENT

### "REMAINING PORTION" PROBLEM

The *Gazette* contains the draft of an Ordinance to amend the provisions of the Crown Rent Ordinance, 1935. It is explained that leases granted by the Crown, of land in this Colony, do not make any provision for apportionment of Crown Rent in the event of subdivision and transfer of a portion of the lot by assignment to the original lessee, who in practice then becomes known as the owner of the Remaining Portion of the Lot.

The original owner of the Remaining Portion, or his legal representative, remains liable to the Crown for the whole Crown Rent due in respect of the Lot and in practice so long as he retains the Remaining Portion he has to collect from the other section owners of the Lot the proportions of Crown Rent attributable to the respective sections and pay the whole to the Treasury.

After transfer of the Remaining Portion, it has been the custom of the Crown to look to the owner thereof for the time being for payment of the whole Crown Rent due in respect of the Lot, leaving him to collect their proportions from the other section owners.

### MORE SUB-DIVISIONS

While the number of sub-divisions of Lots remained small this year, in recent years the number of sub-divisions has increased very rapidly and many of the older and larger Lots have been divided into fifty or more separate sections or subsections.

The owners of the Remaining Portions now find it increasingly difficult to collect the proportions of Crown Rent and many of them, after having paid the whole of the Crown Rent to the Treasury for some time, have ultimately made default.

Many section owners who have always paid to the owner of the Remaining Portion their proportions of Crown Rent, have found that, without their knowledge, the owner of the Remaining Portion has made default.

In case of default the Crown at present has to exercise its right of re-entry on the whole Lot, and this has been the practice in recent years. Re-entry involves forfeiture of every portion of the Lot re-entered, and the extinction of all mortgages thereon, which is a serious matter, particularly for trustees who have invested trust funds on the security of house property. Default in payment of Crown Rent by Remaining Portion owners is becoming more and more frequent and the serious effect of the increasing number of re-entries calls for a remedy.

### ORDINANCE AIM

The object of this Ordinance is to enable the Land Officer, in his discretion, to apportion a portion of a Lot and on payment of the prescribed fees to determine the Crown Rent which shall be payable direct to the Treasury in respect of such portion.

Section 4 provides the principles to be observed in determination. Determination will, in so far as is reasonable, be according to area. Some old Crown Rents were fixed in sterling and these will be converted into local currency at the rate at which all sterling Crown Rents were converted in 1922. Provision is also made for the addition of such sum, if any, as may be necessary to make the converted rents even number of dollars.

This will facilitate Treasury collection and book-keeping, without loss to the Crown, and the loss to the payer will be negligible. Section 5 makes provision for proof of area. Section 6 states result of determination and the application of a section owner other than the owner of a Remaining Portion.

Section 7 states the result of determination on the application of the owner of a Remaining Portion. Special provision is necessary in this case as at present the Crown looks to the owner of the Remaining Portion for payment of the whole Crown Rent due in respect of the Lot, and he cannot be released from this burden unless determination is also made in respect of each other section of the Lot. Compulsory determination is accordingly imposed in this case on the owners of the other sections of the Lot. The fees are in this as in other cases payable by the applicant for determination, namely the owner of the Remaining Portion, but relief is provided to enable him to recover from the owner of each section the fees applicable to such section.

Section 13 enables the Governor to appoint different dates for the application of the Ordinance to different lots or areas or districts. Some such provision is necessary to prevent the Land Office being deluged by too many simultaneous applications.

## NEW YEAR OBSERVANCES

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH PLANS

London, Dec. 27. The annual celebrations of New Year associated with St. Paul's Churchyard, will this year take a more organised form as the result of a movement initiated by the Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. W. R. Matthews.

Proceeding with the watchnight services in the Cathedral, which will be conducted by the Dean and broadcast through loud speakers in the churchyard, the crowds assembled there will take part in communal singing and will be addressed shortly by Canon H.L.L. Sheppard.—*British Wireless*.

A dinner-dance will be held at Repulse Bay Hotel to-night and a tea dance on Sunday. A special extra bus service has been arranged for the convenience of the patrons attending the dinner-dance.

## Broadcasting Review

### BRITAIN'S STEADY EXPANSION

### RECORDING EVENTS

London, Dec. 27. A review of the year's broadcasting by B.B.C. describes the activities in the creation of new transmitting stations and the renovation and re-equipment of studios to secure the maximum efficiency both in technical results and in the distribution of the service over the whole country.

These improvements include extension of the Empire station at Daventry and the adaptation of part of Alexandra Palace in North London for use as a television transmitting station.

The year has seen steady expansion in the Empire service, constant experimenting having enabled improvements in transmission so that the empire broadcasts have been better and more consistently received. The Empire news bulletins have been increased in number. Notable broadcasts to the Empire include the Jubilee celebrations and Lord Jellicoe's funeral.

The review draws attention to the increase in the use of specially recorded material in programmes, notably in illustrating the news bulletins. Records are made by mobile recording units and special machinery allows part of speeches to be cut and edited for later reproduction.

### VOICE OF THE PAST

A library of records of historical interest is thus being built up, and the collection now includes voices of recent personages in every sphere of public life.

Additions are being made of records from the pre-broadcasting era. Thus records of Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Winston Churchill, made before the war, have been secured, and efforts are being made to revive records of Gladstone, Salisbury and Rosebery, made on the early phonograph cylinders. It is pointed out that the value of these records to students of history will steadily increase with the passage of time.—*British Wireless*.

## SPURIOUS COIN OFFENCES

### LOCAL LAW BEING AMENDED

The *Gazette* contains the draft of an Ordinance to amend the coinage Offences Ordinance, 1935.

Section 3 of the Ordinance adds a new paragraph to sub-section 13 of Ordinance No. 1835 making the deliberate importation into the Colony of counterfeit King's current copper coin punishable with seven years imprisonment.

The King's copper coin is defined in section 2 of the principal Ordinance as including any copper coin and any coin of bronze or mixed metal, and the King's current coin is defined as including any coin whether made of gold, silver, copper, bronze or mixed metal, coined in any mint in His Majesty's dominions or any such coin lawfully current, or otherwise, in any proclamation or otherwise, in any part of His Majesty's dominions whether within this Colony or otherwise.

The new paragraph added to section 13 of the principal Ordinance follows mutatis mutandis the wording of section 6 which made the deliberate importation of counterfeit King's current gold or silver coin punishable with imprisonment for life.

The absence hitherto of any provision relating to the King's copper coin corresponding to section 6 of the principal Ordinance (which was part of section 7 of the Coinage Offences Act, 1861) was probably due to the fact that the importation of spurious cents or pence was unlikely.

Now, however, since ten cent and five cent pieces made of cupro-nickel have been authorised by Proclamation No. 4 in the Hongkong Government *Gazette Extraordinary* of the 9th November, 1935, it has been found that the new coins are being counterfeited and imported and it is necessary to deal with that situation.

## ONE-LEGGED MAN'S BRAVERY

### RECOGNISED BY HERO FUND

London, Dec. 27. A case of remarkable courage, despite physical incapacity, has been recognised by the trustees of the Carnegie Hero Fund in an award to Alfred Brennan, of Thurso, a one-legged man, who last September rescued a woman-bather to whom a lifebelt had been thrown, but who was drifting out to sea.

Brennan went through the surf on his crutches, which he then discarded and swam out and towed the helpless bather back to shore.—*British Wireless*.

## APPEAL TO GODDESS

### HAWAIIANS ATTEMPT TO DIVERT LAVA FLOW

Hilo, Dec. 27. Natives played ukuleles and chanted hymns to the Goddess Pele, asking her to halt the Maunaloa flow of lava while twelve army aeroplanes prepared from above Ninaso to drop 80 tons of bombs in an effort to divert the flow from Waialuku River.—*United Press*.

## BRITISH REVENUE INCREASE

### ENCOURAGING POSITION REVEALED

London, Dec. 27. Exchequer returns show that the total ordinary revenue, excluding self-balancing items, amounts to £221,075,470, compared with £204,004,177 at the corresponding date of last year.

Total ordinary expenditure, exclusive of self-balancing items, is £68,683,701, compared with £62,985,086 at the corresponding date of 1934.

There is now only one week of the third quarter of financial year to go, and financial writers comment on the encouraging revenue position, as it is in the last quarter of the year that the inflow of revenue is greatest. Receipts for the week ended December 21 were swollen by an exceptionally large payment of estate duty head for the financial year to date are £23,410,000, compared with £23,515,000 for the same period of the previous financial year.

Among other revenue items, income tax has yielded £26,018,000, or over four million pounds more than for the same period of last year, and customs and excise £22,355,000, or an increase of nearly nine million pounds compared with last year.—*British Wireless*.

## POOR PEOPLE ENTERTAINED

### S. P. C. CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party to the children and mothers who attend the Kowloon Centre of the Society for the Protection of Children was held on Boxing Day at the Majestic Theatre, which was lent by the owners. This year, the lady inspectors, Mrs. Perry and Miss Tamm, were joined by Mrs. Booker and Miss Himmworth.

The guests consisted of some 220 mothers with babies in arms and 220 older children. Each family was given a large bowl of meat and rice, as well as a basket filled with good things. A large part of the presents was given by local firms. Father Christmas distributed two packets of sweets to each family, while some thirty families who were prevented from coming to the theatre received similar gifts.

Several members of the Executive Committee of the S.P.C. were present, including Mr. G. P. de Martin, Chairman, and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, last year's Chairman, as well as many other friends.

The proceedings opened with a speech by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, followed by a nursery song by children who have been supplied with milk by the Society. There was then a film show by courtesy of the Majestic Theatre management, and during the interval which followed refreshments were served.

Students of Chung Wah Boys' School later presented a Chinese play, after which Mrs. Loseby presented prizes, this being followed by distribution of presents by Mrs. Loseby, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Booker and Miss Himmworth.

The Society wishes to thank the Management of the Majestic Theatre for loan of the theatre, Messrs. Lok Yuen and Chung Fat & Co. for Lok Yuen and Chung Fat, and Mr. Confectionery, Headmaster and students of the Chung Wah Boys' School for stage display and the following for donations:—Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. de Martin, Mrs. Loseby, Mrs. Tregillus, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Lam, Mr. B. E. Maughan, Mr. F. H. Kwok, Mr. B. E. Maughan, Mr. Sunday School, Mr. Andrew's Church, Mr. & Mrs. L. Centeno, Mr. Wong Kai-po, Dr. Matthews, Mr. Wong Pun-po, Mr. J. C. Maclear, Mr. Peter Simple, Mr. King, the German community, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, Mr. Henry Pollock, Mr. Sang-Jones, Mr. Kong, Mrs. Tam, Mr. B. E. Maughan, Mr. B. E. W. Hamilton, Mr. E. Himmworth and the Wolf Cubs of H.K. & Kowloon. Thanks are also expressed to Mrs. Loseby, Mrs. Matthews, Miss Himmworth, Mrs. Booker and the staff of the Majestic Theatre, for assistance at the party.

## MONGOLIAN AFFAIRS

### NANKING OFFICIALS DENY INDEPENDENCE TALK

Nanking, Dec. 27. The Mongolian Government's political agents in Nanking have officially denied rumours of an independence movement in Inner Mongolia. The rumours originated with the report that Prince Teh dismissed the troops of the Western Banner.

The same sources say that the Inner Mongolian authorities have asked Nanking for the supply of arms and ammunition in view of the tension created through the recent clashes with Manchukuoans on the border.

### Japan Suspicious

Shanghai, Dec. 27. The Japanese Foreign Office is suspicious of the visit of the Outer Mongolian Premier and other Mongolian officials to Moscow, according to Tokyo newspapers.

The fear is that the Soviets and Mongols might combine against the Chinese and Japanese fight against Communism in the Inner Mongolian area.

A Foreign Office spokesman said the Moscow *Isvestia* and other Soviet papers—*Union News*.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Lawrence Howarth, of 218B Nathan Road, and Miss Lena Cochran, of 177 Fulton Street, Anniesland, Glasgow, who is on route to the Colony per s.s. "Stuttgart."

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